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Goffstown, New Hampshire

Goffstown Junior Baseball Little League

U.S. Eastern Regional Champions 2000



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Goffstown Junior Baseball
Little League
U.S. Eastern Regional Champions
2000

L-R Back Row: Coach Scott Desjarlais, Josh Gregory,
Ben Collins, Shea Sennett, Darren McLean,
Jarred Ostrowski, Manager Frank Szumiesz
L-R Front Row: Tom French, Ben Bradley,
Alex Sobolov, Matt Kilrain, Steve Desjarlais,
John Berube, Eric Szumiesz
Missing from Photo: Coach Howard Sobolov

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DEDICATION

MILTON MEYERS



*In recognition of his many years
of dedicated and continuous service
to the citizens of Goffstown.*

Planning Board - 1974 to present

Southern NH Planning Commission - 1995 to present

Master Plan Update Committee - 1995 to 1997

Board of Adjustment - 1973

Industrial Council - 1981 to 1989

Representative to General Court - 1978 to 1981

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INFORMATION ABOUT OUR TOWN

During King Phillip's War in 1734 Goffstown and West Manchester were designated as Narragansett No. 4, and used as shelter for officers and soldiers. The Town of Goffstown, incorporated 1761, and is named for Colonel John Goffe, an early settler, soldier, and civic leader. Goffstown was originally a farming community. As the town was settled during the 1760's, the timber that was cleared was used in building ships. The wood was drawn by oxen to the village of Piscataquog and from there it was floated by raft to Newburyport, Massachusetts. The oxen route became known as Mast Road, now the main road through Goffstown.

Goffstown is located at 43N and 71, 36W in Hillsborough County nine miles west of Manchester on NH Route 114; north of Bedford on Route 114; east of New Boston on Route 13; south of Weare on Route 114. It is 16 miles to Concord, the state capital of New Hampshire.

The Town has a population of approximately 16,323 (Office of State Planning 1999 estimate) and occupies approximately 36.9 square miles. Town Hall elevation is 306 feet above sea level, and the top of Mt. Uncanoonuc is 1321 feet above sea level.

GOVERNMENT: Goffstown is governed by a Board of five Selectmen. Legislative policy, including passage of the Town Budget, is determined by the annual Town Meeting. The Town provides a full array of governmental services, library and recreational services. At the 1996 Annual Meeting the residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional town meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot.

The Town Hall is located at 16 Main Street. Town office hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday; 8:30 am to noon on Wednesday; and 8:30 am to 6:00 pm on Thursday.

TOWN CLERK: Voter registration is with the Supervisors of the Checklist or Town Clerk. To register to vote, one must be 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen and a resident of Goffstown. New voter registrations for local, state and federal elections can be done at the polls on election day. In order to be eligible to vote at the Ballot Determination Meeting you must register 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. Absentee ballots are available to qualified voters for town and state primaries and general elections.

Dog licenses, which expire on April 30 of each year, are available at the Town Clerk's office. A dog must be licensed at three months of age; rabies certificate required. Fees are \$6.50 for neutered animals; \$9.00 if unaltered. A penalty of \$1.00 per month is assessed as of June 1 for unlicensed dogs.

Automobile registration is initiated at the office of the Town Clerk. Registration is due and renewable in the birth month of the resident owner. Reregistration decals are available from the Town Clerk for an additional fee of \$2.50. In 1999 plates for passenger vehicles motorcycles, trailers and tractors were made available in this office.

PROPERTY TAXES: Goffstown collects property taxes semi-annually; payments are due at the Tax Collector's Office July 1 and December 1. Property is assessed as of April 1. A town-wide revaluation was completed in 1998. In 1999 a new statewide education property tax reduced the local tax burden on property owners by approximately 23.5%. The tax rate for 2000 was \$28.43 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

ZONING: A Town Zoning Ordinance controls land uses in Commercial, Industrial, Residential Small Business Office District (RSBOD), Residential, Agricultural, Flood Plain and Conservancy Open Space Zones.

POLICE: The Goffstown Police Department is located on Route 114 across from the State Prison for Women and adjacent to the Hillsborough County Nursing Home.

PUBLIC WORKS: The Public Works Department was relocated to a new facility in 2000. The Public Works facility is now located at 404 Elm Street adjacent to the Transfer Station facility. Curbside solid waste and recycling pickups are once a week. The Transfer Station for solid wastes and recyclables is located at 404 Elm Street, and is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm.

LIBRARY: The Goffstown Public Library is located on Route 114, between High Street and Elm Street and is open from 12 Noon to 8 pm on Monday; 10 am to 8 pm on Tuesday and Wednesday; 10 am to 6 pm on Thursday; 10 am to 5 pm on Friday; and during the school year only from 10 am to 3 pm on Saturday.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.: The Parks and Recreation Department, with an office at 155 Mast Street provides two supervised playgrounds with excellent programs, two public swimming pools, seven public tennis courts, athletic fields, a running track, and an outdoor ice skating area, with supervised year-round programs for youth and adults.

SCHOOL DISTRICT: The Goffstown School District is governed by an elected nine-member School Board; its budget is determined by the Annual School District Meeting. At the 1996 Annual Meeting the residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional school meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot. School Department offices are located in the White Building at the end of School Street in Goffstown Village. The Superintendent of Schools serves the school districts of Goffstown, Dunbarton and New Boston. In Goffstown, the public schools consist of two elementary schools, grades 1 - 3, Maple Avenue School in the Village and Bartlett School in Pinardville; one middle school, grades 4 - 8, Mountain View Middle School, 41 Lauren Lane in Grasmere; and one high school, grades 9 - 12, Goffstown AREA High School, 27 Wallace Road in the Village, which accepts Dunbarton and New Boston tuition students.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Selectmen

First Monday of the month 9:00 AM. Second, Third and Fourth Monday of the month 6:00 PM. Meetings held at Goffstown Town Hall.

Budget Committee

Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Community Access Cable TV Committee

Second Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the GTV studio in Goffstown High School.

C.I.P. Committee

May through November Wednesdays at 7:00 PM as needed.

Conservation Commission

First Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Goffstown Town Hall.

Economic Development Council

Second Tuesday of the month at 5:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Highway Safety Committee

As needed

Historic District Commission

First Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Grasmere Town Hall/School House #9.

Library Trustees

Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Library.

Parks & Recreation Commission

Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Parks & Recreation building.

Planning Board

Second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at Goffstown Town Hall.

School Board

First and third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Area High School.

Sewer Commission

First Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Solid Waste Commission

Second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

PEOPLE SERVING GOFFSTOWN

Governor

Jeanne Shaheen

United States Senators

Judd Gregg

Robert C. Smith

Representative in Congress

John E. Sununu

Executive Councilor

Bernard A. Streeter, Jr.

State Senator

Lou D'Allesandro

Representatives to

General Court

Lawrence A. Emerton, Sr.

Richard E. Fletcher

Bruce F. Hunter

Karen K. McRae

John C. Sarette

Board of Selectmen

Barbara J. Griffin, *Chair* 2001

Philip A. D'Avanza, *Vice Chair* 2002

Henry C. Boyle 2001

Bruce F. Hunter 2003

Robert L. Wheeler 2003

Town Moderator

Rodney L. Stark 2002

Town Clerk

Donna A. Bergeron 2002

Town Treasurer

Jean C. Mayberry 2002

Administrative Officers

Sue Desruisseaux, M.P.A.

Town Administrator

Michael French, *Police Chief*

Edward Hunter, *Fire Chief and*

Forest Fire Warden

Carl L. Quiram, *Public Works Director*

David L. French, *Recreation Director*

Dianne Hathaway, *Library Director*

Janice O'Connell, M.B.A., *Support Services Administrator/Welfare Director*

David Schwerd, *Planning & Economic Development Coordinator*

Ron Mace, *Assessor*

Susan Hickey, *Finance Director*

Edmond Neveu, *Building Inspector, Building Code Enforcement Officer, and Health Officer*

Anthony Simon, *Zoning Code Enforcement Officer*

Gail Lavallee, *Tax Collector*

Kerry P. Steckowych, *Prosecutor*

Michael Ryan, Paul Fitzgerald, and William Drescher, *Town Counselors*

ADA Compliance Committee

Rosemary Garretson 2001

Jean Mayberry 2001

Janice O'Connell, M.B.A. 2001

Vacant, School Board Rep.

Vacant, Secretary

Vacant

Budget Committee

Peter Georgantas, *Chair* 2002

John Caprio 2003

John S. Davis 2001

George Fullerton 2003

Timothy J. Hanson 2001

Pamela V. Manney 2002

Gossett Chris McRae 2003

Lawrence A. Raimondi 2001

Dennis Rechcygl 2002

Colleen K. Russo 2001

Suzanne Tremblay 2002

William C. Tucker 2001

John Stafford, *School Board Rep.*

Robert L. Wheeler, *Sel. Rep.*

Richard Fletcher, *Goffstown Village Water Rep.*

Alice Rohr, *Grasmere Village Precinct Rep.*

Building Board of Appeals

Arthur Rose, Sr. <i>Chair</i>	2002
Norman Chauvette	2002
Daniel Dugrenier	2002
Darron Pierson	2001
David White	2000
Paul Lebrun, <i>Alt.</i>	2002

Earl S. Carrel,	2001
<i>Community Rep.</i>	
Frederick P. Cass	2001
<i>Community Rep.</i>	
John Davis, <i>Budget Rep.</i>	2001
David Schwerd, <i>Planning</i>	
<i>Advisor</i>	
Paul O'Reilly,	2001
<i>School Board Rep.</i>	

Cable TV Community Access Committee

James Pingree, <i>Chair</i>	2001
Donald Gagnon, <i>Vice-Chr.</i>	2002
Craig Battey	2001
Marie Boyle	2003
James Fadden	2002
Rosemary Garretson	2003
Patrick Tucker	2003
Paul Volckmann, <i>Alt.</i>	2003
Janice O'Connell, M.B.A., <i>Gov't. Adv.</i>	
Richard Gagnon, <i>PEG Coordinator & School Rep.</i>	
<i>Vacant, Alt.</i>	

Susan Hickey, <i>Finance Dir.</i>	2001
Patrick Tucker,	2001
<i>Community Rep.</i>	
Robert L. Wheeler, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	2001

Conservation Commission

Collis Adams	2003
Charles Freiburger	2001
Timothy Hanson	2002
Karen McRae	2003
Evelyn Miller	2002
Jane Raymond	2002
Susan Tucker	2003
Jean Walker	2001
Janet Falcone, <i>Alt.</i>	2002
Barbara Griffin, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
<i>Vacant, Alt.</i>	
<i>Vacant, Alt.</i>	

Cable TV Franchise Renewal Committee

Anthony Marts, <i>Chair</i>	2001
Sue Desruisseaux	2001
Richard Gamache	2001
Gossett W. McRae	2001
Suzanne Tremblay	2001
Patrick Tucker, <i>Alt.</i>	2001
Jim Cook, <i>Alt.</i>	2001

Economic Development Council

William Jabjiniak, <i>Chair</i>	2003
Wm. L. Hamilton, Jr., <i>Vice Chr.</i>	2003
Margaret Dolbow, <i>Sec.</i>	2001
Judith DesMeules	2001
William Dolbow	2003
Henry Grady	2002
Matthew Peterson	2002
Daniel Reidy	2003
Richard Stanley	2002
Philip Tatro	2001

Cemetery Trustees

Timothy P. Kenney, <i>Chair</i>	2001
Ezra Beck	2002
Leon Konieczny	2003

Bruce Hunter, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Robert Wheeler, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
David Schwerd,	
<i>Town Administrator's Rep.</i>	
Gossett W. McRae,	
<i>Planning Board Rep.</i>	

C.I.P. Committee

Richard Georgantas, <i>Co-Chair</i>	2001
Gossett W. McRae, <i>Co-Chair</i>	2001
John A. Caprio,	2001
<i>Community Rep.</i>	

Goffstown Common**Oversight Committee**Dave French, *Parks & Rec. Dir., Chair*Robert Wheeler, *Sel. Rep.*Carl Quiram, *Public Works Dir.*Larry Brown, *Citizen Rep.* 2002Michael Ryncarson, *Citizen Rep.* 2001**Goffstown Village Water Precinct**Allen D. Gamans, Jr., *Chair* 2005

Henry C. Boyle 2003

Richard Coughlin 2002

Richard Fletcher 2004

Raymond Taber 2001

Linda R. Naughton, *Clerk***Grasmere Village Water Precinct**Theodore Rohr, *Chair* 2001

Arthur Rose, Jr. 2003

William Swanson 2002

Diane Rand, *Clerk*Alice Rohr, *Treasurer***Highway Safety Committee**Michael French, *Police Dept., Chair*David Schwerd, *Planning & Economic
Dev. Coordinator*Henry C. Boyle, *Sel. Rep.*Carl Quiram, *Public Works Dir.*Ruth E. Gage, *Community Rep.* 2003**Historic District Commission**Philip D'Avanza, *Chair* 2001Eleanor Porritt, *Vice Chair* 2003Barbara Mace, *Sec./Treas.* 2002

Robert Gagnon 2003

Doug Gove 2001

Elizabeth Merrill 2003

Roberta Perkins 2001

Annie Vincent, *Alt.* 2001David White, *Alt.* 2002Rodney Stark, *Alt.* 2002Terri August, *Alt.* 2000*Vacant, Alt.***Library Trustees**Carolyn Benthien, *Chair* 2001Barbara J. Griffin, *Vice Chr.,* 2003*Sel. Rep.*

Mark P. Choquette

2002

Theresa Pare

2002

Kenneth Rose

2001

Barbara Totherow

2003

Russ Vanderhorst

2002

Paper Roads CommitteeHoward Leonard, *Chair*

Jo Ann D'Avanza

George Hebert

Jane Raymond

Sue Desruisseaux, *Sel. Rep.*Susan Tucker, *Alt.**Vacant**Vacant, Alt.***Parks & Recreation Comm.**Susan Tucker, *Chair*

2002

Paul Smith, *Vice-Chair*

2001

Lionel G. Cullerot

2001

Robert P. Draper

2001

J. Claude LaRoche

2002

D. Michael McKinnon

2003

Philip C. Tatro

2002

Bruce Hunter, *Sel. Rep.*Richard Fletcher, *Budget Rep.***Piscataquog River****Local Advisory Committee**

Charles Freiburg

2001

Planning BoardGossett W. McRae, *Chair*

2001

James Raymond, *Vice Chr.*

2001

Collis Adams

2002

Jo Ann D'Avanza

2003

Richard Georgantas

2003

Miles J. Phillips

2002

Mark Choquette, *Alt.*

2002

Milton Meyers, *Alt.*

2001

Lowell VonRuden, *Alt.*

2002

Henry C. Boyle, *Sel. Rep.***School Board**Craig S. Hieber, *Chair*

2001

Paul O'Reilly, *Vice Chair*

2002

Scott Gross

2001

Albert Packard

2002

Jane Raymond

2003

John G. Stafford	2002	Kilton Barnard	2001
Kerry Steckowych	2003	Barbara Barbour	2003
Ellen Vermokowitz	2001	Frank Leffman	2003
Michael York	2003	Reta MacGregor	2002
Meagan McKinnon, <i>Student Rep.</i>		Joan Stevens	2003
School Moderator		I. Richard Schaffner, Jr.	2002
Lawrence A. Emerton, Sr.	2003	Philip A. D'Avanza, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
School Clerk		Russ Lauriat, <i>Advisor</i>	
JoAnn D'Avanza	2003	So. NH Planning Commission	
School Treasurer		Milton Meyers	2002
Helen Skoglund	2003	Arthur W. Rose	2004
School Administration Unit #19		Robert L. Wheeler	2001
Darrell J. Lockwood, Ed.D.		Barbara J. Griffin, <i>Alt.</i>	2001
<i>Superintendent of Schools</i>		Supervisors of the Checklist	
Mary Heath,		Denise Lemay, <i>Chair</i>	2006
<i>Asst. Superintendent</i>		Helen Skoglund	2004
Susan Ratnoff,		Patricia Wynne	2002
<i>Asst. Superintendent</i>		Trustees of the Trust Funds	
Michele Croteau,		Steven Murphy, <i>Chair</i>	2001
<i>Business Manager</i>		Andrew Szerlog	2003
Bartlett Elementary School		William J. Schubert	2002
David Bousquet, <i>Principal</i>		Zoning Board of Adjustment	
Goffstown Area High School		Henry Grady, <i>Chair</i>	2003
Mark Roth, <i>Principal</i>		Anthony Marts, <i>Vice Chr.</i>	2002
Pamela Miller, <i>Asst. Principal for</i>		Edward Dial, Jr., <i>Clerk</i>	2002
<i>Curriculum & Student Services</i>		William Jabjiniak	2001
Frank McBride, <i>Asst. Principal of</i>		James Kibby	2003
<i>Student Affairs</i>		K. Brian McLaughlin	2003
Maple Ave. Elementary		Patrick Donovan, <i>Alt.</i>	2002
Marc A. Boyd, <i>Principal</i>		Dianne Shakra, <i>Alt.</i>	2002
Leslie Doster, <i>Asst. Principal/</i>		Howard Witherspoon, <i>Alt.</i>	2002
<i>Special Ed. Coordinator</i>		Zoning Ordinance Re-Write	
Mountain View Middle		Committee	
Rose L. Colby, <i>Principal</i>		James Raymond, <i>Chair</i>	
James I. Doig, <i>Assoc. Principal</i>		Collis Adams	
Sandra Davis, <i>Assoc. Principal</i>		Brian Clickner	
Sewer Commission		Edward Dial, Jr.	
Stephen R. Crean, <i>Chair</i>	2002	Anthony Marts	
James A. Bouchard	2003	Frederick Plett	
Paul LaPerle	2001	Edmond Neveu, <i>Bldg. Code Rep.</i>	
Bruce F. Hunter, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>		Ryan Levesque, <i>Sec.</i>	
Solid Waste Commission		David Schwerd, <i>Planning Dept. Rep</i>	
Eugene Haselton, <i>Chair</i>	2001	Anthony Simon, <i>Zoning Code Rep.</i>	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT



GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

*L-R: Henry Boyle, Bruce Hunter, Barbara Griffin (Chair),
Robert Wheeler, Philip D'Avanza (Vice-Chair)*

Each year the Board of Selectmen develops annual goals for municipal government, and works with departments and committees towards the accomplishment of those goals. At this time of year we take this opportunity to review our goals, and our progress towards the accomplishment of these goals.

During the year 2000 the Board of Selectmen's goal was to maintain a consistent tax rate with the previous year. This goal was accomplished and the town side of the tax rate remained at \$9.61 per thousand of assessed valuation.

Another goal was to complete labor negotiations and bring forward three collective bargaining agreements for vote at the annual town meeting. We fell short on this goal, and we bring forward only two collective bargaining agreements to town meeting. It is our opinion that these contracts represent fair treatment for our employees within the fiscal constraints of our community.

The town continues to implement the statewide school property tax, and awaits the results of recent judicial action regarding this tax. The selectmen continue discussions with local state legislators to protect the town's position on a long-term basis regarding educational funding.

Another goal was to initiate the closure of Goffstown's sanitary landfill on Laurier Street. In conjunction with our consultant GeoInsight, this process is well underway. Public hearings about the closure and reuse plans were held, and the bid was awarded to the Thibeault Corporation in the fall of 2000. The hauling of fill from the Elm Street sand pit to Laurier Street is almost complete at this time. Work should resume in the spring of 2001.

The Public Works Department completed a smooth transition from Depot Street to their new facility on Elm Street. Staff and residents enjoyed an Open House at the new facility in November of 2000. We are all very proud of the facility. Now that the transition is complete the Selectmen seek to dispose of the Depot Street property. This question will appear on the warrant at town meeting.

An ongoing goal of the Selectmen is to enhance employee wellness. Our Wellness Committee has been busy developing and implementing new ideas for our wellness program. The Department Heads have also renewed their commitment to employee wellness, and the establishment of competitive department recreational teams is under consideration for this spring.

As our solid waste disposal costs continue to escalate, our Solid Waste Commission and Public Works Department continue to emphasize recycling within the community. At this time Waste Management Corporation provides curbside recycling pickup, and drop off recycling is available at the Transfer Station. The Treasure Trailer, which is open on Saturday mornings in the spring and summer, provides another alternative to reduce our waste stream. We encourage all citizens to recycle.

The town ordinances have been compiled, and discussions regarding the codification of these ordinances are ongoing.

We thank the dedicated hardworking town employees who have assisted in the progress of meeting the Selectmen goals. We also thank the many committee volunteers who give countless hours to assist us in meeting the ever-increasing demands on municipal government. Last, but certainly not least, we thank the citizens of Goffstown for their valued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Goffstown Board of Selectmen

Barbara J. Griffin, Chairman

Philip A. D'Avanza, Vice Chairman

Henry C. Boyle

Bruce F. Hunter

Robert L. Wheeler

REPORT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE SENATE TO THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

I appreciate this opportunity to report from the New Hampshire Senate to the residents of Goffstown.

School funding continues to dominate the agenda. Although the Legislature has yet to agree on a sustainable means of funding the state's share of the cost of education, we have committed the state to financing more than half the cost of the public school system. This is a major divergence from past policy, where more than 90% of this cost was borne by the local property taxpayers. This commitment in itself will fundamentally change the relationship between the state and its municipalities. At an annual cost of \$1.4 billion, the public school system represents the largest single public expenditure in New Hampshire. By relieving cities and towns of this burden we hope to provide significant and lasting reductions in local property tax rates. I remain committed to developing an equitable and sustainable means of funding schools one that is fiscally responsible and beneficial to the students of New Hampshire.

This session I will serve as Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, and hold membership in the Capital Budget, Wildlife, and Executive Departments & Administration Committee. More than 1600 bills have been introduced, including legislation on such important issues as prescription drug pricing, school accountability, personal privacy, affordable housing, and health care coverage for the uninsured.

If you wish to contact me about these or any other matters I might help you with, I can be reached at the State House by calling 271-2600 or you can send a letter to: State House Room 117, Concord, NH 03301.

State Appropriations to the Town of Goffstown

Education Funding

Type	RSA Reference	Fiscal Year 2000	Fiscal Year 2001
Building Aid	198: 15a – 15h	243,526	243,526
Special Education	186-C:18, III & IV	226,420	226,420
Tuition & Transport	188-E	19,320	19,320
Adequate Education	198:38, 40	9,100,281	9,100,281
TOTALS		9,589,547	9,589,547

Other Funding

Type	RSA Reference	Fiscal Year 2000	Fiscal Year 2001
Environmental	486	337,736	337,736
Water Grants	486-A	33,988	33,988
Meals & Rooms	78-A:26	301,866	372,740
Revenue Sharing	31-A	232,273	232,273
Highway Grant	235:23	273,027	273,027
TOTALS		1,178,890	1,249,764

Respectfully submitted,
Lou D'Allesandro
State Senator District 20

2000 TOWN BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2000

Moderator Rodney Stark called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. There were 93 voters in attendance.

The presentation of colors and pledge of allegiance to the flag were led by members of the Goffstown Police Explorer Post #394; Jennifer Bernier, Erich O'Dowd and Joshua Bartlett.

Moderator Stark introduced the people at the head tables - to his left, Selectman Bob Wheeler, Bruce Hunter, Barbara Griffin, Hank Boyle and Phil D'Avanza and Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux; to his right, assistant moderator Gossett McRae, Town "Scribe" Marie Boyle and Town Clerk Donna Bergeron. Members of the Budget Committee were seated in the front row.

Moderator Stark recognized Parks and Recreation Director Dave French, who called Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman Sue Tucker, Board Member Lionel Cullerot, and Barbara Robinson to the front of the hall. He explained the annual Robinson/Cullerot volunteer award and mentioned that Mr. Cullerot has now served on the Parks and Recreation Commission for the past 28 years.

Mr. French named the award nominees for this year and had them come forward and be recognized, and each was presented with a plaque. They were Bill Babine, Howard Sobolov, John Casasantas and Tom Maloney, all of whom have given outstanding service to the youth of this community.

D. French - This year's award recipient has shown her dedication to the community in many ways - she has given of herself in the sports area as a coach; she has been a member of the Board of Directors of Goffstown Junior Baseball for many years, and she performed outstanding service and leadership in spearheading both the Evan Ravenelle and Bob Coulombe fund drives. This year's award winner of the Robinson/Cullerot Volunteer of the Year award is Barbara Larkin.

B. Larkin - When Dave called me and told me I was the recipient of this award, I was speechless - and I'm not usually speechless. I have had the pleasure of working with many of you for the past few years in many different areas, and my reward has been to be your friend. I accept this award on behalf of the community.

Moderator Stark explained the procedures and rules and regulations of this meeting. He explained that we are not meeting now to pass or defeat any articles - the voting is on March 14. We'll be discussing articles 2 through 7 tonight - these will be opened for discussion, debate and amendment. If an amendment is adopted by this meeting, the article, as amended, will appear on the official ballot at the election on March 14. Regarding amendments - the purpose of the warrant is to simply bring the subject matter before the voters. He explained that amending appropriation items up or down is allowed, as long as they relate to the general subject matter of the article. Five registered voters may request in writing that the vote on an article be by secret ballot. R. Stark - However, if I do not have the amendment before I call for a voice vote, I will not accept it.

George Fullerton moved to dispense with the reading of the warrant, seconded by Peter Georgantas.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three million, six hundred thirty-seven thousand, seven hundred and one dollars (\$3,637,701) for the purpose of financing the Landfill Closure/Reuse, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,837,701 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) as amended and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interest of the town; furthermore, to authorize the selectmen to withdraw \$600,000 from the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund created for this, with the balance of \$200,000 to be raised by taxation. It is anticipated that twenty percent (20%) of eligible costs will be reimbursed by state grants. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 7) (A 3/5 ballot vote is required). *(The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article).*

Selectman Griffin moved the article to the floor, seconded by Selectman D'Avanza. Selectman Griffin spoke to the article. B. Griffin - Article 2 proposes to raise the funds for the closure of the landfill located in Pinardville. We have not been using that landfill since we opened the transfer station. We have been talking about this closure for a long time - we knew it was required by the state and by the federal government. For the past three years we have been saving \$200,000 a year toward this project, which is expected to cost us \$3.6 million. The \$3.6 million cost was determined by Geo Insight, the company that has been working with our Director of the DPW to close the landfill. In the past years, we have heard figures as high as 6 or 7 million dollars.

When we first started looking at this project, we thought we'd have to move transmission lines, etc. But we do not have to move them. There were some concerns about the slope - the orange pond - but the view was that we have a very clean landfill, so there are some things we won't have to do. This is not only for the closure of the landfill, for which we will be getting 20% reimbursement from the state, but also for reuse. We will be the first in the state to provide for reuse of their landfill. When it's capped, we anticipate putting fill on top and making a football field, two soccer fields, a youth hockey field and a baseball diamond. The committee had several recommendations such as a golf course, planting Christmas trees - but after thinking about it, it was decided to put in playing fields because the children in town need fields. This will not have an impact on the tax rate. The bond from the state is at 4.3%, just for the funding of the landfill closure. The bond repayment will be approximately the same as the \$200,000 we have been allocating for the past few years.

F. Plett - What happened to the interest that should have been accumulating over the past few years? That can't be applied to this? B. Griffin - It still can be. This is just requesting to use those funds and any interest that has accumulated.

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$225,000 to purchase a parcel of land of approximately 12.73 acres, identified as Parcel A on a subdivision plan of map 5, lot 37. The intended use of this land is to meet the town's long-term need for sand. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 7). (*The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article*).

Selectman P. D'Avanza moved the article to the floor, seconded by Selectman H. Boyle. Selectman D'Avanza spoke to the article. P. D'Avanza - This article is mentioned in the warrant to meet the long-term needs of the town for sand. The property abuts the current transfer station in Grasmere and as most of you know, we have centralized many of the operations in the town, in conjunction with our master plan. We are also planning to use materials from this property for the closure of the landfill. The materials we supply from this will also be eligible for 20% of the value of that material in the state's reimbursement. We've had some preliminary tests done on it by Geo Insight. They have done test pits and have determined that the materials there are suitable for the closure - loam and sand. We anticipate \$200,000 to \$300,000 in savings on the closure by supplying the materials from this property.

In addition, we look at this as an advantage to the taxpayers because if we take the low anticipation of \$200,000 savings and offset that to the cost of the land - we'd get approximately \$40,000 reimbursement. It would be a total of \$240,000 with an outlay of \$225,000. The materials at the low end of the approximation will also give us a supply of sand for the next six years - approximately \$125,000. So we're actually coming out \$165,000 ahead. This property has no wetlands, it's just a field. We'll basically be moving our current operation from New Boston. We have an agreement with our suppliers there, and we transport our sand. If we move that operation from out of town to the center of town, we're consolidating our operation to a central location and we're looking at a long-term supply of sand for the town.

F. Plett - The sandpit - will the town do to itself what it does to everybody else? Will it require closure at the end? Will they set aside money for that purpose? P. D'Avanza - That's part of the permitting process the DPW will go through. Ken Rose - Can you give us an indication of what our cost is to get the sand from New Boston? P. D'Avanza - The sand from New Boston is no more. This is the last year we can get sand from that facility. There have been calls made to several suppliers - we currently purchase sand - we spend \$25,000 a year for 9,000 cubic yards of sand. We had a relationship with the owner of that sand pit where we got it at one time for nothing. That particular pit has been sold and the new owner said they can't afford to do that anymore. K. Rose - If this passes, how soon will the facility be operational? P. D'Avanza - This summer.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town of Goffstown will vote to establish a charter commission for the purpose of revising the municipal charter or establishing a new municipal charter (RSA 49-B).

Selectman Wheeler moved the article to the floor, seconded by Selectman Boyle. Selectman Boyle spoke to the article. H. Boyle - There has been some consideration given to making a more definite description of authority and the workings of the town, so the Selectmen put this article on the warrant. If this passes, it's all regulated by the

statutes. If it passes we'll have to set up a special election to occur approximately 65 days after passage. The commission will be made up of nine elected registered voters of the town. There's a strict timetable after that. Within seven days of the election, there has to be an organizational meeting called by the town clerk. Fourteen days after that there will be a public hearing for the public's input and any suggestions. One hundred eighty (180) days after that, they have to present a preliminary report to the citizens of the town, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General and the Department of Revenue Administration for review and comments. Two hundred twenty-five (225) after they're elected, the final report is due to the selectmen. At that point, the selectmen will put it on the ballot for the next scheduled election. This committee can revise the charter, make a new charter, whatever. It will be up to the voters to accept or reject it.

P. Georgantas - Why did the selectmen choose to put this in now? Are they unhappy with our current form of government? H. Boyle - If my answer doesn't satisfy you, Barbara feels more strongly about this than I do. Some things aren't clear cut in town - what the town administrator's role is - things like that. We felt we should get it down in black and white. Maybe somebody would like to go to a city? A town council? It wasn't to try to get the budget committee.

S. Monier - I don't have a question, I have a comment. I would like to commend the selectmen for putting this on the warrant. I think it's clearly time for this community to look at its form of government. There are many forms, and all of them need to be explored. This would be the first step. I have never been a fan of Senate Bill 2, I didn't vote for it. There aren't more than 60 people here, discounting town officials, determining what will go on the ballot. So it's clearly time for us to look at the alternative forms available to us. I would like to commend the board for taking this step. I think with the dawn of the new millennium, it's time for the town to take such a step.

ARTICLE 5

We the undersigned petition the town of Goffstown, NH to place on the year 2000 ballot, a warrant to go to a town vote for the installation of traffic lights at the Main St., Elm St., Mast Rd., and High St. intersection. (Submitted by petition).

Selectman Wheeler moved the article to the floor, seconded by Selectman Hunter. Selectman Wheeler spoke to the article. R. Wheeler - I simply want to explain that this article is faulty on its face. There was indeed a petitioned article; it was signed by the appropriate number of people and meets the requirements of law. We called the people who had done the article into a selectmen's meeting, and explained some of the difficulties that they created in the way they authored this, and they redid it. They re-submitted it - it didn't have enough verifiable signatures. We called them up and they called some people who agreed to come down to the town hall to sign up. But they never came. So the corrected article is not before us, so whatever happens with this article, under advice of council, it will be simply advisory to the board of selectmen.

The issue of that light has been studied by the board of selectmen - I have a report right here. It's an issue with a lot of complications - a three or four lane proposal, environmental concerns, a \$700,000 price tag. Sometimes when you're sitting there at the stop sign it seems like days - but seconds pass very slowly. I would hope that as citizens, we would let somebody out of the traffic line. That would be much easier than all of the work that would have to be done to change that intersection.

Pam Manney - I understand what you're saying, I agree it should have been put in with an appropriation. How could you take it under advisement if it passed? R. Wheeler - If it passes, what authority does it have? The selectmen cannot do whatever they want whenever they want to. Our responsibility is decided by what comes from this meeting, and we administer it. There's no authority here. If we were to support this article for example and it passed, in order for us to install a light there has to be a cost put in this article, so it would have been warned and acted upon. That wasn't done. F. Plett - I would like to point out that there's a corridor study plan going all the way up Mast Road - the issue of lights, etc., is taken care of in that plan. I hope it comes about within the next 100 years.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to deposit 30% (thirty percent) of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in the conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II. *(Submitted by petition) (The Board of Selectmen does not recommends this article) (The Budget Committee recommends this article).*

This article was moved to the floor and seconded. Tim Hanson of the Conservation Commission spoke to the article. T. Hanson - I hope this will help you to understand this and to decide whether allocating 30% of the revenues generated by the land use change tax to the Conservation Fund to help open space in Goffstown, makes sense. Protecting open space in town makes good sense for several reasons: Maintaining the rural, peaceful character of Goffstown is a good thing. Once open space is lost to development, it is generally lost forever, and our town becomes a little less rural. Protecting environmentally significant and sensitive lands in order to preserve wildlife habitat is also important. Preserving open space should not increase the tax burden.

The last point may need further explanation, in light of the common belief that because developed land is more valuable and pays more taxes, increasing the amount of developed land in a community lowers taxes. In fact, there have been a number of studies around New England and elsewhere that show that exactly the opposite is true - that is, more developed land results in a higher tax bill on the average home. The reason for this is that residential development tends to create a need for bigger schools, more teachers, more police, higher waste disposal costs and other town services. Undeveloped land on the other hand, puts little demand on town services and the property taxes paid on this property more than offset any services needed. Obviously Goffstown will continue to grow and change. No one can stop that. What we can do however, is try to maintain some of what makes it special, and part of that is undeveloped fields, forests and other natural areas. Under New Hampshire law, an owner of open space land of ten acres or more, may choose to be taxed on the land at the "current use tax rate." This rate is lower than normal property tax on building lots and developed land. It taxes a farm or woodland on its current value as a field or a forest today, rather than its potential value as land, so that a landowner will not be forced to develop it just to pay the taxes. If a landowner takes that land out of current use, in order to develop it, that owner must then pay a 10% land use change tax to the town, based on the new value of the land. Among other things, this one-time change in current use is intended to

encourage landowners to only place land in current use that will likely remain in open space for a good period of time.

The revenues that Goffstown has collected from the current use change tax are considerable. Since 1990, ten full years of current use change penalties has been \$413,986, an average of about \$41,400 per year. This article would provide 30%, or \$12,500 per year, based on past revenues. The funds for the Conservation Fund would be primarily used to preserve open space in town through the acquisition of both land and conservation easements. Before any easement or land could be acquired, a public hearing would be held. In addition, the funds would be used to cover some of the costs incurred by a landowner who decided to donate land or a conservation easement to the town, such as survey and appraisal expenses. The conservation fund could also be used to cover costs relating to managing conservation land for trails, boundary disputes, wildlife habitats, etc.

Jim Raymond - I want to speak in favor of this. I'm a member of the planning board, but I'm not speaking as a board member. We had a 17 lot subdivision before us recently. Based on a fiscal impact study, the annual net cost of this 17 lot development will be \$35,000. If you take the additional cost imposed on the town - subtract the tax revenue - we will share a \$35,000 net cost. It's cheaper for the town to purchase land in many cases - you keep it from being developed. It makes good economic sense. My firm represents several towns around here - they're adopting impact fees and growth ordinances. When developers look for towns to go to, Goffstown is the low-cost alternative for them, so we will be looking at increased development of our unused land, which will mean increased costs to the taxpayers. This is one method the legislature has allowed us to keep large tracts of land from being developed. So far both economic and quality of life reasons, this makes good sense. I'd like to see it more than 30%, but this is a good place to start.

Pam Manney - I know that the selectmen do not recommend this. I would like to know why. Selectman Griffin - The selectmen voted not to recommend this article for several reasons. In the past, the conservation commission went through the same budget process as any other department. P. Manney - I have the RSA here - 36:A-5. It doesn't mention anything about going before the selectmen before they purchase the land. My concern is can the conservation commission just purchase any piece of land they want without the approval of the selectmen? T. Hanson - Under RSA 36-A - Conservation Commission - (quoted from the RSA). It goes on to say that the governing body would give its approval - which would be the board of selectmen.

P. Manney - So if the conservation commission wants to purchase land - there are other things I've heard that the conservation commission wants to do with this money. If they wanted to purchase land do they have to get the approval of the selectmen? If the selectmen do not agree with the purchase of the land, it won't happen? T. Hanson - That's correct.

Peter Georgantas - One thing I didn't hear in the presentation to the budget committee - these funds could be used for boundary disputes? I understand they have some disputes up in the Mountain Base area. I would have a hard time using taxpayers' money against a taxpayer. I would rather have it be used for what Jim Raymond said and the conservation commission said - for the purchase of land. Nowhere in here does it say it's only for purchasing land - they can use it for anything - is that right? T. Hanson

- Yes - but it's more my idea that if we're interested in purchasing a piece of property, we would have it surveyed and appraised. That money would also come from this fund. P. Georgantas - But it could also be used in a legal dispute against another taxpayer, correct? T. Hanson - I'm not sure. G. Fullerton - Is this language as recommended by the state? R. Wheeler - The state enacted language that allowed this type of article to take place and I believe there are about 70 communities in the state that do this.

Selectman Bruce Hunter - The board of selectmen voted not to recommend this article for several reasons. In order to understand this article, it is necessary to explain two issues: 1) the budget process for the conservation commission and 2) the current use penalty. The conservation commission has an operating budget of \$4,712 to meet their administrative and field expenses, as well as \$5,000 in CIP for land surveying. In the past when conservation wanted to purchase land, they went through the same budget process as any other committee or department. They presented their request to the board of selectmen, the budget committee, and to the public during hearings and town meeting. This is how they purchased a large parcel of land on Mt. Uncanoonuc. Passage of this article would allow the commission to bypass this process. They would no longer need to present their budget requests to the selectmen, the budget committee or to you. The only exception would be the purchase of land which would require the approval of the board of selectmen under RSA 36-A:4. Under this proposed article, 30% of the Current Use Tax would be deposited into the conservation fund. This money could be spent by a majority vote of the conservation commission. If this article had been in effect since 1990, then the conservation fund would now total \$124,196 plus interest. Keep in mind that the current use tax is now used to offset your property taxes each year.

Currently the town has 358 parcels of land, or 10,521 acres in current use, with a current use assessment of \$997,600. Remember, this is current use assessment, not fair market assessment which is much higher. The current use penalty is 10% of the fair market value when the land is taken out of current use. Passage of this article would allow a percentage (not a fixed amount) of the current use tax to be placed into a conservation fund. There is no way to predict the actual dollar value this fund could accumulate. Also, there will be additional administrative costs of managing this fund because each time a parcel is taken out of current use, a deposit must be made into the conservation fund. In conclusion, the board of selectmen feels that the conservation commission should be subject to the same process as every other committee and department in town. Collis Adams - I would like to move to amend Article 6 (presented written amendment with five signatures). Moderator - This is a petition that has been filed by Collis Adams, Jo Anne D'Avanza, Tim Hanson, Vivian Blondeau and Karen McRae, presumably all registered voters. It reads, "The revenues shall be for the sole purpose of land acquisition and/or development rights and costs associated with these purchases. If money from this fund is to be used to purchase any interest in land, the Conservation Commission must hold a public hearing and the acquisition must be approved by the board of selectmen (RSA 36-A:4)."

The amendment was moved to the floor and motion was seconded. T. Hanson - The reason we did this is because the original article isn't clear enough - this clarifies it. The money will be used for land acquisition and not for the maintenance of trails, etc. Bill Tucker - I agree with everything in that except for the approval of the board of selectmen

because I don't think you can override the state statute, and the state statute says when you create this the treasurer will have the custody of the money in the conservation fund and shall pay out the same only on order of the conservation commission. I'm not sure you can override the state statute and have another authority layer on top of it. We may have been creating a problem with that portion of the amendment.

Pam Manney asked that the amendment be re-read - moderator did read it again. P. Manney - the amendment is in addition to Article 6? Moderator - My understanding is that it's a replacement for it. (Petitioners explained that it's in addition to the article). Moderator acknowledged he missed the wording in the beginning saying "to add to the end of the article."

Karen McRae - I have a couple of comments. I signed the amendment hoping to move this forward in a positive manner. However, I'm not in total support of the amendment because it ties our hands just to acquisition. If we would like to do a wildlife management plan, we would not be able to do it with the amendment. We could with the original article. If we have a budget, I doubt that it's up to \$4,000 - it has been running \$1,500 to \$2,000. Yes, we do have money in the CIP to do a survey of the mountain - of the land we acquired there some twenty years ago. What were camps and summer residences on footpaths only, people have now winterized and put in driveways across conservation land and we have been trying to defuse some possible situations up there. This will be the final year for the survey process. It has been a horrible mess up there with this survey, because when it was originally done in the 1800s they used rods and links. Our current surveyor has GPS and he is still having a terrible time.

There are many communities who have this article - Amherst gives them 50% for conservation; Bedford 30%, Chester 100%; some towns have had caps and have removed them - Dunbarton 50% - their cap was deleted in 1997 - they have had this change in use tax since '93. Merrimack has 25% with a \$50,000 cap; (continued naming towns with this conservation article in place). We thought 30% was very reasonable - it's one of the lowest in the surrounding towns and we hope you would look favorably upon this article.

S. Monier - My understanding is that the amendment is intended to make this more restrictive. I still don't understand from what I've heard, what this article intends to accomplish that isn't being accomplished already in the town planning process. We have purchased land in the past for conservation in this town - we have done planning on the things we need to do in mapping and surveying. We have the ability now to appropriate money for those things that need to be done. Why do we need this when what we have been doing in the past has always worked for us?

T. Hanson - I don't know how much we've done in the past - I can't think of anything in the past five or seven years when we have done anything. But more important, it gives the conservation commission the opportunity to be proactive rather than reactive. It also gives them the opportunity to enter into an agreement to purchase or conserve and identify a piece of property that has just come up for sale, without waiting until town meeting. It could be gone by then. Without the ability to negotiate, we won't get it. I think that's the most important thing. Ezra Beck - I think everybody here agrees it's a good idea - the problem is how to do it. One thing hasn't been mentioned - I understand that the money we're talking about in a typical year would be \$15,000 - that's a ballpark figure. It isn't a tremendous amount of money. The brakes are there - we have to have

a public hearing and people say, "so what? Only 3 or 4 people come and you really don't have to listen." I do like the amendment because it puts a brake on things. They would have to go to the selectmen to buy a piece of property. I'm sorry if it ties their hands in other areas - but basically this is what we're after. We're after that open space and this is one way to get it.

Previous question was called and seconded. Moderator Stark apologized and said he had told Selectman Wheeler he would recognize him and he took the previous question before he let him speak. R. Wheeler - I appreciate your consideration. I asked a long time ago and you recognized many people before you recognized me. I'd like to ask any of the sponsors what will happen. The conservation commission said they would like the opportunity to buy property under these circumstances. This evening earlier, we talked about the town buying a gravel pit. We needed to go through a very public process. Monday evening, the school board mentioned buying property - they had to go through a very public process. The property that the school is going to buy is currently in current use. It is your expectation to get money from that piece of property when it comes out of current use? Because I'm coming from the position the school raised - now when anybody takes money from current use - an assessment is made - payment is made, and it's credited to a revenue account. Now we'll collect the revenue - split it - some will go to revenue. We'll have to make another check and have it go into another account.

I have no recollection of the community ever saying no to a purchase of property. We did away with the poll tax because there wasn't enough money for the paper work it created. We don't send out the inventories anymore for the same reason. I suggest we're reversing that by adopting this procedure. If the town had created a situation where we hadn't responded when the conservation commission had asked, I could understand. I need to have an understanding - will we be creating some controversy? What if the school purchases that property?

Moderator Stark - This is just on the amendment. B. Tucker - How much taxes does the school district pay on its school buildings? None. I believe when the federal government took land from current use, there wasn't any tax because it was federal government. Government entities don't pay taxes. F. Plett - Point of order - neither question or answer was pertaining to the amendment. Let's vote on the amendment. Moderator Stark - It has been requested to vote on the amendment - (reread the amendment). This language is proposed to be added to the end of the article.

Vote on amendment - amendment was defeated. Moderator - Back to discussing Article 6. (No discussion ensued).

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation , expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Board of Selectmen in the amount of eleven million, seven hundred ninety-two thousand, eight hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$11,792,825).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of five million, five hundred and nine thousand, twenty-seven dollars (\$5,509,027).

The sewer enterprise fund of one million, three hundred and seventy thousand, five hundred and twenty-seven dollars (\$1,370,527) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: "Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling eleven million seven hundred ninety-two thousand, eight hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$11,792,825)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be ten million, nine hundred and eighty-seven thousand, nine hundred and two dollars (\$10,987,902), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only." NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article. *(The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article).*

Selectman Griffin moved the article to the floor, seconded by Selectman Wheeler. Selectman Griffin - The budget figure before you, as recommended by the Budget Committee and the selectmen, has been adopted by going through the budget process. The department heads submitted their recommendations, the selectmen made adjustments, the budget committee made further cuts - public hearings were held. This amount will continue the level of service in the past. It included plans we have had in place for several years and CIP items. The board of selectmen represents that this will not result in an increase in your tax rate.

There was no discussion on this article. Moderator Stark asked if there were any further reports - there were none. Peter Georgantas moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Fred Plett. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Boyle, *Town Scribe*

ATTEST: A True Copy
Donna A. Bergeron
Goffstown Town Clerk



*Reception for Goffstown's sister city Kunitachi, Japan
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TOWN MEETING ELECTION RESULTS

MARCH 14, 2000

SELECTMEN

	Vote for 1
Hunter, Bruce F.	1719
Raimondi, Lawrence A.	542
Wheeler, Robert	1477
Witherspoon, Howard R.	846

BUDGET COMMITTEE

	Vote for 4
Fullerton, George	1994
McRae, Gossett C.	1921
Seevers, Garret	1812
Caprio, John (Write-in)	32

BUDGET COMMITTEE

	Vote for 1
Raimondi, Lawrence A.	1836

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

	Vote for 1
Harding, Mary E.	1276
Marts, Anthony	1049

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

	Vote for 2
Griffin, Barbara J.	2120
Totherow, Barbara S.	1997

PLANNING BOARD

	Vote for 2
D'Avanza, Jo Ann	1664
Georgantas, Richard	1429
Raimondi, Lawrence A.	519
Von Ruden, Lowell S.	762

SEWER COMMISSION

	Vote for 1
Bouchard, James A.	1891
Raimondi, Lawrence A.	282

CHECKLIST SUPERVISOR

	Vote for 1
Lemay, Denise E.	2219

CHECKLIST SUPERVISOR

	Vote for 1
Wynne, Tricia	2165

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

	Vote for 1
Szerlog, Andrew J.	2143

TOWN MODERATOR

	Vote for 1
Stark, Rodney L.	2208

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YES - 1810

NO - 776

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YES - 1714

NO - 848

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Shall the Town establish a charter commission for the purpose of revising the municipal charter or establishing a new municipal charter (RSA 49-B)?

YES - 956

NO - 1414

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town install traffic lights at the Main St., Elm St., Mast Rd., & High St. intersection? *(Submitted by petition)*

YES - 1357

NO - 1209

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Shall the Town deposit 30% (thirty percent) of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in the conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25II? *(Submitted by petition)(The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this article.)*

YES - 798

NO - 1708

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling eleven million seven hundred ninety two thousand eight hundred and twenty five dollars (\$11,792,825)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be ten million nine hundred and eighty seven thousand nine hundred and two dollars (\$10,987,902), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article. *(The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.)*

YES - 1729

NO - 844

NOVEMBER 7, 2000 GENERAL ELECTION

STRAIGHT TICKET

REPUBLICAN 1226

STRAIGHT TICKET

DEMOCRATIC 724

For President and Vice President of the U.S.

GEORGE W. BUSH

"DICK" CHENEY 4069

REPUBLICAN

"AL" GORE

"JOE" LIEBERMAN 3186

DEMOCRATIC

HARRY BROWNE

"ART" OLIVIER 26

LIBERTARIAN

RALPH NADER

WINONA LaDUKE 244

GREEN

HOWARD PHILLIPS

J. CURTIS FRAZIER 6

CONSTITUTION

"PAT" BUCHANAN

EZOLA FOSTER 28

INDEPENDENCE

For Governor

GORDON HUMPHREY 3742

REPUBLICAN

JEANNE SHAHEEN 3347

DEMOCRATIC

MARY BROWN 426

INDEPENDENT

JOHN J. BABIARZ 50

LIBERTARIAN

For Representative in Congress

JOHN E. SUNUNU 4241

REPUBLICAN

MARTHA FULLER CLARK 3128

DEMOCRATIC

"DAN" BELFORTI 125

INDEPENDENT

For Executive Councilor

"DAVE" WHEELER 4518

REPUBLICAN

KEITH A. REGLI 2426

DEMOCRATIC

For State Representatives

LARRY EMERTON 4246

REPUBLICAN

RICHARD E. FLETCHER 3649

REPUBLICAN

RANDOLPH "RIP" HOLDEN 3609

REPUBLICAN

KAREN K. McRAE 3961

REPUBLICAN

ROBERT WHEELER 3839

REPUBLICAN

DONNA C. KELLY 3077

DEMOCRATIC

JOHN C. SARETTE 3226

DEMOCRATIC

JEANNINE BERNIER 1192

LIBERTARIAN

DANIELLE DONOVAN 1115

LIBERTARIAN

For Sheriff

WALTER A. MORSE 3819

REPUBLICAN

DAVID M. DIONNE 2803

DEMOCRATIC

For County Attorney

PETER McDONOUGH 4983

DEMOCRATIC

For County Treasurer

DAVID G. FREDETTE 3927

REPUBLICAN

"BOB" DAVIDSON 2711

DEMOCRATIC

For Register of Deeds

JUDITH A MacDONALD 5634

REPUBLICAN

For Register of Probate

ROBERT R. RIVARD 5578

REPUBLICAN

For County Commissioner

CAROL H. HOLDEN 3493

REPUBLICAN

PAUL J. HALEY 2149

DEMOCRATIC

RICHARD "RICH" BURKE 1127

INDEPENDENT

Question Relating to Constitutional Amendments

Proposed by the 1999 General Court

"Are you in favor of amending the constitution to provide that municipalities shall have home rule authority to exercise such powers and perform such functions pertaining to its government and affairs which are not prohibited by the state constitution, state statute, or common law, and that the state shall retain its right of preemption over municipal powers and functions?"

Upon passage of this question the first part of the New Hampshire Constitution will be amended by inserting after article 39 the following new article:

[Art.] 40 [Home Rule Authority Granted.] A municipality may exercise such powers and perform such functions pertaining to its government and affairs which are not prohibited by the state constitution, state statute, or common law. Nothing in this article shall be construed to alter or limit in any way the state's right of preemption over municipal powers and functions.

YES 2605

NO 3096

2001 WARRANT FOR TOWN BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING

FEBRUARY 7, 2001

To the inhabitants of the Town of Goffstown in the county of Hillsborough qualified to vote in Town affairs, and to the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown, qualified to vote in School District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet on the seventh day of February, 2001 at seven o'clock in the evening at the Goffstown High School in said Town for the first portion of Town Meeting, also known as the deliberative session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on March 13, 2001.

You are further notified to meet March 13, 2001 to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls will open on March 13, 2001 at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the First District at the Goffstown Area High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1

To choose all Town Officers, Trustees, Commissioners, and School District Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board:

To see if the Town will vote to recodify the zoning ordinance by replacing the current ordinance with an ordinance, different in form, but with substantially the same content as in the existing ordinance. The new ordinance is better-organized and easier to use.

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance by adding a Section to the zoning ordinance, which is titled **Impact Fees for Public Capital Facilities**. This ordinance allows the planning board to assess fees on new development to offset the additional capital costs that the development creates for the town. The article is authorized by New Hampshire RSA 674:21 as an Innovative Land Use Control.

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 3 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of **Map 4 Lot 64** from **Residential 1 (R-1) District** to **Agricultural (A)**. The property address is 166 New Boston Road.

(Submitted by Petition.) (Not Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 4 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of **Map 5 Lot 99** from **Residential 1 (R-1)** to **Agricultural (A)**. The property address is 178 S. Mast St.

(Submitted by Petition.) (Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 5 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the description of **E. Commercial District, 3. Special Exceptions, d.** which currently reads:

- d. Automobile sales and service, repair garages, and service stations provided that
 - (1) All structures, including storage tanks, shall be placed not less than 25 feet from any property line, and
 - (2) No storage tank shall be permitted above ground.

Change to:

- d. Automobile sales and service, repair garages, service stations and **gasoline retailing facilities** provided that
 - (1) All structures, including storage tanks, shall be placed not less than 25 feet from any property line, and
 - (2) No storage tank shall be permitted above ground.
 - (3) **Fueling positions may not be counted as parking spaces, and**
 - (4) **No gasoline retailing facility shall be permitted within a two mile driving distance of an existing facility. The two-mile driving distance shall be based on roadways allowing two way traffic to and from the proposed site.**

(Submitted by Petition.) (Not Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 6 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of **Map 26 Lot 24** from **Industrial (I)** to **Residential Small Business Office (RSBOD)**. The property address is 277 Mast Road.

(Submitted by Petition.) (Not Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and no cents (\$1,138,835) for the purpose of financing the municipal wastewater line expansion into the area known as Knollcrest, (Ashlar Drive, Ashlar Circle, Knollcrest Road, Bailey Court, Highland Avenue, Pineridge Street) and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,138,835 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) as amended, and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town. It is the intent of the Goffstown Sewer Commission to repay this bond issuance through the sewer user fees and by charging a \$5,000 Accessibility Fee to each property that will be connecting to this lateral. (A 3/5 ballot vote is required.)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Three Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$390,000) for property acquisition and master plan development for an alternative transportation path (non-motorized) in the Town of Goffstown. This project will be funded 20% (\$78,000) by local property taxes, and 80% (\$312,000) by the Federal Transportation Enhancement Program. The path will follow along the abandoned B&M rail line (98-48 TE), from the former town dump site and future athletic fields site in Pinardville, paralleling both the Piscataquog River and Mast Road, to Goffstown Village approximately 5.7 miles. When the design is complete, then the construction project, and its costs will be presented as a Special Article to the taxpayers for vote at an annual town meeting.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to sell at public auction the former Public Works facility on Depot Street with a minimum bid and conditions to be set by the Board of Selectmen.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars and no cents (\$27,500) to prevent West Nile Virus through a plan which includes special permit fees, West Nile Virus surveillance, larval survey, and larviciding.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.)

(Not recommended by the Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict revenues from ambulance fees and donations for the operating and capital expenditures of Emergency Medical Services. Such revenue and expenditures shall be accounted

for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Emergency Medical Services Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of the revenue. (This fund will be initiated with a minimum donation of \$22,000 from the Goffstown Emergency Medical Services Association.)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$22,000 from the Emergency Medical Services Fund (approved pursuant to Article 12) to pay volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) as paid on call EMTs commencing October 1, 2001. This article is contingent upon the passage of Article 12.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Department of Public Works running through December 31, 2005 and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$35,094 for the additional cost of the contract in 2001. The additional costs for 2002 over the costs in 2001 will be \$33,642. The additional costs for 2003 over the costs in 2002 will be \$29,062. The additional costs in 2004 over the costs in 2003 will be \$26,802. The additional costs in 2005 over the costs in 2004 will be \$25,005.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the International Brotherhood of Police Officers, Local No. 371 representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Police Department running through December 31, 2005 and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$26,874 for the additional cost of the contract in 2001. The additional costs for 2002 over the costs in 2001 will be \$31,437. The additional costs for 2003 over the costs in 2002 will be \$28,536. The additional costs in 2004 over the costs in 2003 will be \$31,879. The additional costs in 2005 over the costs in 2004 will be \$31,431.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses, and commitments of the Town Government, the budget approved by the Board of Selectmen in the amount of twelve million four hundred sixty-five thousand five hundred seventy-one dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$12,465,571.98).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of five million eight hundred eighty-one thousand two hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$5,881,224).

The sewer enterprise fund of one million five hundred twenty-six thousand nine hundred eighty-four dollars (\$1,526,984.00) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this Article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: “Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling twelve million four hundred sixty-five thousand five hundred seventy-one dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$12,465,571.98)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be eleven million five hundred fifty-one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$11,551,785), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.” NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 17

To hear the reports of Town Officers, Auditors and Committees and to pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 18

To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our Hands and Seal this twenty-second day of January 2001.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Barbara J. Griffin, Chairman

Philip A. D’Avanza, Vice Chairman

Henry C. Boyle

Bruce F. Hunter

Robert L. Wheeler

Then personally appeared the above named Barbara J. Griffin, Philip A. D’Avanza, Henry C. Boyle, Bruce F. Hunter and Robert L. Wheeler and under oath that the above certificate by them is true.

Donna Bergeron, Town Clerk

AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT LETTER

Melanson Heath & Company, PC

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

11 Trafalgar Square, Suite 101

Nashus, New Hampshire 03063-1974

603-882-1111

May 2, 2000

Board of Selectmen
Town of Goffstown
Goffstown, New Hampshire

We have audited the general purpose financial statements for the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999 and have issued our report thereon dated May 2, 2000. As part of our audit, we made a study and evaluation of the Town's system of internal accounting control to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by generally accepted auditing standards. Under these standards, the purpose of such evaluations is to establish a basis for reliance on the system of internal accounting control in determining the nature, timing and extent of other auditing procedures that are necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

The management of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by them are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objectives of such a system are to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with required authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may still occur without being detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risks that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

Our study and evaluation was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion of the internal accounting control structure and would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the system. However, as a result of our study and evaluation, and in an effort to be of assistance to the Town, we are submitting for your consideration a number of comments and recommendations intended to improve operations and internal accounting control.

After you have had the opportunity to consider our comments and recommendations, we would be pleased to discuss them with you.

Establish Departmental Receipt Policies

Certain departments maintain accounting policies and procedures, however, the Town currently does not have any formal Town-wide written policies and procedures for all departments to consistently follow for collecting and remitting miscellaneous receipts. Although we did not note any errors or irregularities during our audit, the lack of policies and procedures increases the risk they could occur and go undetected.

We recommend the Town establish formal Town-wide written departmental receipt policies and procedures. This should include issues such as uniform receipt records, receipt logs, audit trails, standard forms for remittances to the Collector's office, overnight security, and check cashing policies. We further recommend the Finance office personnel perform periodic internal audits of the various departments to assure compliance with the policies and procedures. This should result in improved controls over departmental receipts and reduce the likelihood of irregularities occurring.

Revise Cash Management Policies

Consolidation: The Town currently maintains several bank accounts to track specific general fund and sewer fund activities. Because the Town's general ledger also tracks these same activities, the maintenance of separate bank accounts is redundant, causing extra effort to transfer balances and perform monthly reconciliations.

We recommend the Town consolidate as many bank accounts as feasible. This should simplify the accounting effort without compromising controls, and may also result in improved interest earnings.

Oversight: Bank reconciliations are currently performed by the Finance Director. Because the Finance Director also controls the general ledger, the disbursement process, and check stocks, this results in an inadequate segregation of duties.

We recommend monthly bank reconciliations be performed (or at a minimum reviewed and approved) by the Treasurer. This review and approval process should be formally documented with the signature of the Town Treasurer. This will improve oversight over bank reconciliations and control over the Town's cash balances.

Maintain Separate Vendor Account: Vendor disbursements are currently processed through the Town's main depository cash account. As a result, multiple receipt and disbursement transaction flow through this account, complicating the monthly reconciliation process.

We recommend the Town maintain a separate vendor account, which would operate on an imprest basis (similar to the payroll account). Deposits into the account should equal manifest totals, thereby resulting in a constant reconciled balance of zero. This will streamline the monthly cash reconciliation process.

Formalize Library Trust Investment Policies: The Library Trust Fund includes several equity investments that are held in a bank safe deposit box. Currently, the investments are not monitored for investment performance.

We recommend the Library Trustees develop a formal investment policy and/or turn over the investments to a professional financial manager. This should provide additional assurance that investment returns are maximized, at controlled risks.

Expand Funds Maintained in General Ledger

The Town's general ledger currently does not capture all activity related to Town operations, not report funds in full conformity with generally accepted accounting principals. As a result, the Town cannot generate reports internally that included all funds reported in the annual audit.

We recommend the Town expend the funds reported in the general ledger to include the following: special revenue funds to track gift and grant activity; trust funds to track Library Trust, Nonexpendable Trust, and Capital Reserve Trust activity; capital project funds to track all major projects funded by debt or grants; a separate fund to track encumbrances carried forward from the previous year.

Establishing these funds in the general ledger will result in a more complete reporting of Town activities and provide improved information for Town management and officials.

Segregate Duties in Sewer Department

The Sewer Department is currently responsible for all customer billing, collections, abatements, and accounts receivable monitoring. This results in a lack of adequate segregation of duties, increasing the risk of errors or irregularities occurring and going undetected.

We recommend all receipts be collected and processed in the Tax Collector office. Also, commitments and abatements should be documented on forms, authorized by the Sewer Commissioners, and provided to the Tax Collector and Finance Director. This will result in an improved segregation of duties, and will aid in the general ledger receivable reconciliation process.

Maintain Sewer Books/Budget on Cash Basis

The Sewer Department currently sets rates based on a cash basis of accounting, however, the annual budget and accounting records are maintained on an accrual basis. These different accounting bases cause confusion regarding issues such as reporting depreciation, fixed asset additions, and principal debt repayments.

We recommend the Sewer Department books and budget be maintained on a cash basis of accounting. This will simplify the monitoring of the budget throughout the year. At year end, the auditors and Finance Director could prepare entries to convert the records to the accrual basis for annual audit purposes only. This will result in improved interim reporting for management, and conformity with generally accepted accounting principles for year end audited financial statements.

Other Issues

Automate Spreadsheets - Clerk and Collector: The Town Clerk and Tax Collector offices currently maintain manual spreadsheets to track receipts and receivable activity.

We recommend these spreadsheets be converted to an automated spreadsheet program, such as Excel or Lotus. This would provide for a more efficient system of summarizing receipts and reduce the risk of manual errors occurring.

Formalize Procedures for Performance Bonds: The Town Planning Office currently accepts performance bond receipts from outside contractors to guarantee certain projects.

We recommend the Town formalize procedures to immediately turn over all performance bond proceeds to the Town Treasurer. The Planning Office should also maintain a log to track all performance bond receipts and disbursements, which could be used to reconcile balances reported in the Town's general ledger.

Maintain Fixed Asset Schedules: Because the Town's Sewer Fund is reported as an Enterprise Fund in the audited financial statements, generally accepted accounting principles require that detailed fixed asset/depreciation records be maintained and reported. The Town does not currently maintain these records inhouse.

We recommend the Town maintain detailed fixed asset/depreciation schedules to track all fixed asset balances, additions, and related depreciation. This will result in improved controls and more complete records of sewer fixed assets.

Record Departmental Receivables: The Finance Department currently prepares bills to outside parties for services performed by various Town departments (e.g., police outside detail, dispatching, etc.). Currently, these bills are not posted as receivables to the Town's accounting system.

We recommend all bills be posted as receivables to the Town's general ledger system. This will provide additional oversight over departmental receivables and improve controls over collectability.

Record Budgeted Transfers

Annually the Town includes certain transfers from trust funds (e.g., cemetery perpetual care) as funding sources in the tax rate setting form.

We recommend the Town establish procedures to request and receive these transfers before year end. This will help minimize the risk of revenue shortfalls reported in the year end financial statements.

Melanson Heath & Company, PC

SELECTMEN'S RESPONSE TO AUDITOR

August 5, 2000

Melanson Heath & Company, P.C.
11 Trafalgar Square, Suite 101
Nashua, New Hampshire 03063-1974

Dear Auditors:

The following are the responses to the Management Letter dated May 2, 2000, prepared by Melanson Heath & Company. The comments in the letter pertain to the year ended December 31, 1999.

1. A town-wide written departmental receipt policy and procedure will be developed during the year 2000. It will include issues such as receipt logs, standardized remittance forms and frequency of deposits. The finance director will also begin performing periodic internal control audits of the various departments to assure compliance with the policies and procedures set forth.
2. The town is in the process of reviewing and consolidating as many bank accounts as possible in the year 2000. The town recognizes the redundancies and inefficiencies of having several cash bank accounts.

The Finance department has currently developed a form that is completed as part of the monthly bank reconciliation process. This form includes cash deposits and disbursements, reconciliation, and signature lines for the Finance Director and Treasurer to approve the completeness of the reconciliation.

The town will review the necessity of maintaining a separate accounts payable vendor account. If it is determined to be necessary, the town will make this change.

During the next year, the Library Trustees will develop a formal investment policy for the trust funds they manage. The policy will include maintaining assurance that investment returns are maximized at controlled risks and monitoring performance at regular intervals.

3. The town has purchased a new financial software package that will be installed during the year 2000. This software will have the capability of supporting and maintaining several funds such as special revenue funds, capital projects funds and trust funds. The town recognizes the importance of tracking all of the financial activities in the financial software program and plans to do so when the program completes installation.

4. The sewer department is developing commitment forms and abatement forms that will be signed by a majority of the sewer commissioners with copies given to the appropriate record keeping offices. The town recognizes the need for a revenue collection department. This department would be solely responsible for the collection and posting in the new financial software of all receipts and various revenues within the town. This would result in improved segregation of duties in the sewer department and will aid in the reconciliation process.

5. The Sewer department will maintain the financial record keeping books and annual budget on the cash basis of accounting. This will simplify the monitoring of the budget during the year and improve interim reporting for management.

6. The new financial software will eliminate the need for a majority of the manual spreadsheets. Training for the tax collector and town clerk staff on computerized spreadsheets will be performed to allow for a more efficient automation process.

The town will formalize procedures for maintaining contractors performance bonds between the finance and planning department. The procedures will include maintenance of the financial documents, planning information and documents and the reconciliation process for the general ledger.

The town recognizes the importance of maintaining detailed fixed asset information to assure accuracy in determining allowable depreciation amounts annually. The sewer department will have the ability to begin tracking all assets in the new financial software during the year. This will improve the accuracy and completeness of the fixed asset records.

The financial software will have the ability to prepare the various departmental receivable invoices and collect on those invoices. The finance department has begun billing on the new system and tracking the receivables in the general ledger.

Due to absence of key personnel, budgeted transfers were not recorded until after the year ended. However, the town realizes the significance of recording the transfers during the year in which they were budgeted to minimize the risk of revenue shortfalls in the year end financial statements.

Respectfully Submitted,
GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Barbara J. Griffin, *Chairman*

Philip A. D'Avanza, *Vice Chairman*

Henry C. Boyle

Robert L. Wheeler

Bruce F. Hunter

APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES FOR 2000 AND MS-7 APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2001

	2000 APPROVED BUDGET	2000 *UNAUDITED EXPENDED	2001 /MS-7 SELECTMEN & BUDGET COMMITTEE
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Administration	\$324,725	\$264,099	\$337,012
Town Clerk & Elections	148,780	149,761	170,953
Finance & Tax Collection	214,611	208,534	315,087
Revaluation of Property	118,675	110,539	122,211
Planning, Zoning & Econ. Dev.	180,681	134,226	173,612
Cemetery Operations	54,253	63,856	63,668
Other General Government	22,347	15,563	22,536
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Operations & Communications	2,514,727	2,387,657	2,676,911
Ambulance	20,350	13,671	18,350
Fire Operations	1,320,379	1,260,247	1,358,182
Building Inspection	86,826	81,545	99,087
Emergency Management	4,001	2,931	5,001
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			
Public Works Operations	2,321,124	2,249,199	2,257,273
SANITATION			
Solid Waste Operations	814,217	790,260	946,688
WELFARE			
Human Services	71,919	33,704	75,572
CULTURE AND RECREATION			
Parks & Recreation	233,925	214,354	260,371
Library Operations	358,929	316,477	392,387
Other / PEG Television	45,165	44,519	49,987
Debt Service/Principal	1	0	0
Debt Service/Interest	1	0	0
Interest on Short Term Notes	1	0	0
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
Land and Improvements	938,241	909,171	961,700
Machinery, Equipment and Vehicles	539,500	496,006	469,000
Buildings	43,000	43,267	65,000
Improvements o/t Land	45,920	45,920	98,000
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			
Sewer	1,370,527	1,281,868	1,526,984
SUBTOTAL: MAIN BUDGET	\$11,792,825	\$11,103,704	\$12,465,572

	2000 APPROVED BUDGET	2000 *UNAUDITED EXPENDED	2001 SELECTMEN & BUDGET COMMITTEE
SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES			
Land Purchase	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$0
Landfill Closure Project	3,637,701	703,809	0
Municipal Wastewater Line (Sewer)	0	0	1,138,835
Property Acquisition (B & M Rail Line)	0	0	390,000
Emergency Medical Services Fund	0	0	22,000
DPW Collective Bargaining Agreement	0	0	35,094
Police Collective Bargaining Agreement	0	0	26,874
SUBTOTAL: SPECIAL ARTICLES	\$3,862,701	\$928,809	\$1,612,803
INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLE			
West Nile Virus Control Program	0	0	Sel.- 27,500 B.C.- 0
SUBTOTAL: INDIVIDUAL ARTICLE	\$0	\$0	Sel.-\$27,500 B.C.-\$0
TOTAL BUDGET:	\$15,655,526	\$12,032,513	Sel.-\$14,105,875 B.C.-\$14,078,375

* Encumbrances included

2000 BUDGETED & ACTUAL REVENUES AND ANTICIPATED REVENUES FOR 2001

ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	2000 BUDGETED	2000 REVISED	2000 ACTUAL	2001 BUDGETED
3120	Land Use Change Taxes	\$45,915	\$45,915	\$44,880	\$46,000
3185	Yield/Timber Taxes	14,001	13,000	9,372	13,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	52,760	44,820	44,819	44,219
3189	Other Taxes	0	105	0	0
3190	Interest & Penalties/ Deliq. Taxes	190,550	127,000	136,509	131,000
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	1,442	1,442	1,300	1,485
3220	Motor Vehicles Permit Fees	1,762,845	1,762,845	1,985,269	1,859,995
3230	Building Permits	72,100	60,000	67,308	61,800
3279	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	59,672	59,672	22,493	23,485
3311-19	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	36,954	55,548	109,852	37,800
FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenues	105,427	105,427	232,273	105,427
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	301,866	372,740	372,740	372,740
3353	Highway Block Grant	260,918	278,382	278,382	300,562
3354	Water Pollution Grant	302,278	347,455	347,455	347,455
3359	Other Government	318,500	332,878	15,000	307,948
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-06	Income from Departments	93,185	93,185	245,291	218,674
3409	Other Charges	143,065	143,065	118,771	100,685
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	22,500	22,500	3,001	10,000
3502	Interest on Investments	247,200	250,000	231,592	252,000
3503-09	Other	254,167	254,167	309,812	257,720
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
3912	Special Revenue Funds	155,434	155,434	52,500	101,700
3914	Sewer Enterprise Fund	1,068,249	1,068,249	828,488	1,179,529
3915	Capital Reserve Fund	0	600,000	0	0
3916	Trust & Agency Funds	0	0	30,000	108,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. Long Term Bonds & Notes	0	2,837,701	0	0
	Surplus Used Prior Year to Reduce Taxes	0	653,573	653,573	0
TOTAL REVENUES		\$5,509,028	\$9,685,103	\$6,140,680	\$5,881,224

GENERAL FUND BALANCE

Unreserved Fund Balance	\$2,822,320
Voted from Surplus	0
Fund Balance - Retained	\$2,168,747
Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes	\$653,573
Overlay	\$35,000

OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE*

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
1986 General Obligation Bonds - Sewer			
2001	125,000	32,125	157,125
2002	125,000	24,250	149,250
2003	125,000	16,250	141,250
2004	125,000	8,125	133,125

1989 General Obligation Bonds - Sewer			
2001	100,000	45,450	145,450
2002	100,000	38,500	138,500
2003	100,000	31,500	131,500
2004	100,000	24,500	124,500
2005	100,000	17,500	117,500
2006	100,000	10,500	110,500
2007	100,000	3,500	103,500

1990 General Obligation Bonds - Sewer			
2001	105,000	74,183	179,183
2002	105,000	67,148	172,148
2003	105,000	60,113	165,113
2004	105,000	53,078	158,078
2005	105,000	46,043	151,043
2006	105,000	38,981	143,981
2007	105,000	31,894	136,894
2008	105,000	24,806	129,806
2009	105,000	17,719	122,719
2010	105,000	10,631	115,631
2011	105,000	3,544	108,544

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
1994 General Obligation Bonds - Sewer			
2001	30,000	15,791	45,791
2002	30,000	14,123	44,123
2003	30,000	12,416	42,416
2004	30,000	10,684	40,684
2005	30,000	8,929	38,929
2006	30,000	7,144	37,144
2007	25,000	5,478	30,478
2008	25,000	3,931	28,931
2009	25,000	2,363	27,363
2010	25,000	788	25,788

1998 General Obligation Bonds - Sewer			
2001	55,000	33,369	88,369
2002	55,000	31,100	86,100
2003	55,000	28,763	83,763
2004	55,000	26,288	81,288
2005	55,000	23,813	78,813
2006	55,000	21,200	76,200
2007	55,000	18,588	73,588
2008	55,000	15,975	70,975
2009	55,000	13,363	68,363
2010	55,000	10,750	65,750
2011	55,000	8,000	63,000
2012	55,000	5,250	60,250
2013	50,000	2,500	52,500

TOTAL SEWER BONDS

\$3,345,000 \$1,000,946 \$4,345,946

*Does not include Water Precinct Bonds

BALANCE SHEET

(UNAUDITED FOR YEAR ENDING 12/31/00)

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$5,095,597
Investments	172,658
Taxes Receivables	1,530,232
Accounts Receivable	25,087
Due from other Government	236,369
Due from Others	<u>64,039</u>
Total Assets and Other Debits	<u>\$7,123,982</u>

LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS

Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	\$423,954
Due to School District	3,783,714
Other Liabilities and Accrued Expense	<u>40,856</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$4,248,524</u>

Equity and Other Credits:

Fund Balances:

Reserved for Endowments	
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$706,495
Unreserved - Undesignated	<u>2,168,963</u>
Total Equity and Other Credits	<u>2,875,458</u>

Total Liabilities, Equity and Other Credits	<u>\$ 7,123,982</u>
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TREASURER'S REPORT

(SUBJECT TO AUDIT FOR 2000)

Cash on Hand - January 1, 2000	\$5,751,001
2000 Receipts	<u>21,764,090</u>

Total Cash	27,515,091
Disbursements & Adjustments	<u>22,247,135</u>

Cash on Hand - December 31, 2000	<u>\$5,267,956</u>
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Citizens Bank	\$5,095,298
N.H. Investment Pool	37,611
Fleet Bank	<u>135,047</u>
	<u>\$5,267,956</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Jean C. Mayberry, *Treasurer*

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

During the year 2000, the Trustees of the Trust Funds received the following gifts:

- a.) A gift of stock by Mrs. Elizabeth P. Merrill to the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Fund.
- b.) A gift of money by Mrs. Dan McNerney to the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Fund.

These gifts should not go unrecognized nor should the generosity of past benefactors to our Town. Their generousities have made our lives and those of future generations that much richer. The Trustees of the Trust Funds wish to thank these benefactors for their kindness and thoughtfulness.

During the year 2000 the State Street Bank and Trust Company of New Hampshire, N.A. continued to provide financial planning services, as Agents for the Trustees of the Trust Funds per an agreement dated April 30, 1992.

The Trustees believe that the agents at State Street Bank and Trust have positioned our current investment portfolio so that it will continue to generate a positive yield for the present and into the future.

The Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds as represented on the following three pages details the various trust fund accounts that were handled by the Trustees as of December 31, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,
 Steve Murphy
 William J. Schubert
 Andrew J. Szerlog

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS FOR THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

Purpose of Fund	Date Established	Investment Type	Balance as of December 31, 2000
Landfill Closure	02/26/98	CD New London Trust	\$117,522.76
Landfill Closure	03/02/98	US Treasury Note	\$100,000.00
Landfill Closure	01/11/99	N.H. Public Deposit Invest. Pool	\$ 23,881.84
Landfill Closure	02/16/00	N.H. Public Deposit Invest. Pool	\$213,275.78

TAX COLLECTOR

FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

- DEBIT-

	LEVIES OF:	
	2000	1999
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes		\$1,024,487
Land Use Change		
Yield Taxes		
Taxes Committed this Year:		
Property Taxes	\$17,520,247	
Land Use Change	42,006	
Yield Taxes	12,851	
Overpayment:		
Property Taxes	100,600	19,754
Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax	12,472	19,182
TOTAL DEBITS	\$17,688,176	\$1,063,423

- CREDIT -

	2000	1999
Remittance to Treasurer		
Property Taxes	\$16,663,779	\$662,580
Land Use Change	42,006	
Yield Taxes	12,851	
Interest	12,472	19,182
Conversion to Lien		359,438
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	2,806	22,223
Yield Taxes		
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes	954,262	
Yield Taxes		
TOTAL CREDITS	\$17,688,176	\$1,063,423

TAX COLLECTOR

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

- DEBIT -

ON LEVIES OF:

	1999	1998	'97 & Prior
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year		\$408,638	\$218,496
Liens Executed during Fiscal Year	\$359,438		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	7,604	53,304	39,617
Refunds of Deeded Property	3,903		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$370,945	\$461,942	\$258,113

- CREDIT -

	1999	1998	'97 & Prior
Remittance to Treasurer			
Redemptions:	\$119,398	\$266,779	\$155,198
Interest/Costs (After Lien Execution)	7,604	53,304	39,617
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	5,420		
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Yr.	238,523	141,859	63,298
TOTAL CREDITS	\$370,945	\$461,942	\$258,113

Submitted subject to audit:
Gail Lavallee, *Tax Collector*

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

As of November 6, 2000 there was a total of 12,176 registered voters in the Town of Goffstown. The party breakdown is as follows: **2,998 Democrats**; **4,479 Republicans**; and **4,699 Independents**.

I'd like to express my sincere thanks to the election workers, Checklist Supervisors, Jerry Agate of SAU #19, and the employees at the Public Works and Police Departments for all their hard work getting us through a very busy election year. Their help is invaluable and makes my job so much easier.

Kids Voting was held for the first time at the General Election in November. Students in Kindergarten through grades 12 were eligible to vote. Special ballots were prepared, and separate voting areas were set up for this purpose. There were 1,063 student ballots cast. *Kids Voting* also provided a special curriculum on voting and the democratic process. The SAU is to be congratulated for all their hard work getting this program off the ground.

Residents may register to vote at the Town Clerk's office during regular office hours. Identification and proof of residency must be presented at the time of registration. Residents may also register to vote when the Checklist Supervisors are in session. These sessions are posted and notice given in the *Union Leader*. Residents may also register to vote on election day at the appropriate polling district. Goffstown has two voting districts:

- **District 1** - Goffstown AREA High School, 27 Wallace Road, Goffstown: includes those residents living in the Goffstown Village area and the Grasmere area (from Route 114/114A intersection westerly to the Weare, New Boston and Dunbarton town lines including residents on the east side of the Piscataquog River.
- **District 5** - Bartlett Elementary School, 689 Mast Road, Pinardville: includes those residents from the Route 114/114A intersection to the Piscataquog River and easterly to the Manchester line.

Residents are reminded that all dogs must be registered yearly during the month of April. Failure to comply will make a resident liable to a penalty of \$1.00 per month after May 31st and are subject to a \$25.00 unlicensed dog fine. A puppy needs to be registered as soon as it receives the rabies shot. Dog registration fees are \$6.50 for a spayed or neutered animal; if they have not been neutered the fee is \$9.00. Residents must present rabies certificate and certificate of neutering in order for the Town Clerk to process a dog license.

Please bring your vehicle registration(s) with you at renewal time. This will make processing your registration go more smoothly. We have a wonderful team in the office, and we are here to help you in any way we can. Please understand there are some laws on the books which make it a little more difficult to help you, but those laws are there for your protection.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna A. Bergeron, *Town Clerk*

Town Clerk Transactions in 2000

<i>MV Registrations Issued</i>	17,938	<i>Death Certificates</i>	162
<i>MV Title Fees</i>	3,694	<i>Protest Fees</i>	22
<i>Dog Licenses</i>	1428	<i>UCCs</i>	319
<i>Dog Violation Penalties</i>	28	<i>Federal Tax Liens</i>	8
<i>Dog Group Licenses</i>	6	<i>Game Licenses</i>	12
<i>Marriage Licenses</i>	106	<i>Pole Licenses</i>	12
<i>Marriage Certificates</i>	171	<i>Wetlands Permits</i>	19
<i>Birth Certificates</i>	167		

2000 Election Results

Election	Date	Votes	Votes	Total	% Voter	New	Total #
		Dist. #1	Dist. #5				
<i>Presidential Primary</i>	02/01/00	3,686	1,903	5,589	53%	764	11,329
<i>School Dilberative</i>	02/07/00	n/a	n/a	179	2%	0	11,329
<i>Town Deliberative</i>	02/09/00	n/a	n/a	93	1%	0	11,329
<i>Town/School Election</i>	03/14/00	2,074	645	2,717	24%	69	11,274
<i>State Primary</i>	09/12/00	1,628	845	2,473	21.67%	64	11,412
<i>General Election</i>	11/07/00	5,255	2,401	7,656	62%	944	12,445
<i>Kids Vote</i>	11/07/00	n/a	n/a	1,063	n/a	1,063	n/a

2000 TAX RATE CALCULATION

Town/City of: **GOFFSTOWN**

Tax Rates

Town Portion

Appropriations	\$15,655,526		
Less: Revenues	9,685,103		
Less: Shared Revenues	111,651		
Add: Overlay	38,661		
War Service Credits	109,128		
Net Town Appropriations		\$6,006,561	
Approved Town/City Tax Effort			\$6,006,561
Municipal Tax Rate			\$9.61

School Portion

Net Local School Budget	\$15,443,047		
Less: Adequacy Education Grant	(5,059,337)		
State Education Taxes	(4,040,944)		
Approved School(s) Tax Effort		\$6,342,766	
Local Education Tax Rate			\$10.15
State Education Taxes			
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$6.60		
\$612,264,275		\$4,040,944	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			\$6.68
\$605,314,400			

County Portion

Due to County	\$1,255,999		
Less: Shared Revenues	(15,195)		
Approved County Tax Effort		\$1,240,804	
County Tax Rate			\$1.99
Combined Tax Rate			\$28.43
Total Property Taxes Assessed		\$17,631,075	
Less: War Service Credits		(109,128)	
Total Property Tax Commitment		\$17,521,947	

Proof of Rate

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax	\$605,314,400	\$6.68	\$4,040,944
All Other Taxes	\$624,716,100	\$21.75	\$13,590,131
			<u>\$17,631,075</u>

MS-1 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION FOR YEAR 2000

	ASSESSED VALUATION		
	TAXABLE		TOTAL
LAND:			
Current Use (incl. Conser. Restr.)		\$958,500	
Residential		\$152,999,700	
Commercial / Industrial		\$24,112,800	
Total Taxable Land			\$178,071,000
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable (est.)			\$10,000,000
BUILDINGS:			
Residential		\$360,354,200	
Manufactured Housing		\$15,334,800	
Commercial / Industrial		\$54,009,500	
Total of Taxable Buildings			\$429,698,500
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable			\$40,000,000
PUBLIC UTILITIES:			
Electric		\$18,647,500	
Gas		\$754,200	
Total Public Utilities			\$19,401,700
TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS			\$627,171,200
EXEMPTIONS:			
	NUMBER		
Improvements to Assist Disabled	3	\$300,100	
School Dining / Dormitory / Kitchen	1	\$150,000	
Blind	12	\$180,000	
Elderly	119	\$1,825,000	
Total Exemptions	135		\$2,455,100
NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION RATE IS COMPUTED			\$624,716,100
NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED			\$605,314,400

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Mace, Assessor

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
SCHOOL				
4/103	Maple Avenue	\$106,100	\$2,397,600	\$2,503,700
5/97	Wallace Road - GAHS	6,700		6,700
5/98	Wallace Road - GAHS	223,500	8,650,000	8,873,500
8/74	Tibbetts Hill Rd. - MVMS	588,700	7,559,700	8,148,400
8/74/A	Lauren Lane - MVMS	17,700		17,700
17/182	Mast Road - Bartlett	554,500	1,067,300	1,621,800
34/138	School Street - SAU	58,600	190,300	248,900
SCHOOL TOTALS:		\$1,555,800	\$19,864,900	\$21,420,700

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

i/37	Back Mountain Road	175,900		175,900
1/38	Back Mountain Road	408,600		408,600
4/11	off Merrill Road	30,800		30,800
4/16/2	Mountain Road	40,000		40,000
7/2	Mast Road	12,600		12,600
7/5	North Mast Street	95,200		95,200
7/8/1	North Mast Street	12,500		12,500
7/106/2	High Street	24,600		24,600

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE

WATER PRECINCT TOTALS:	800,200	800,200
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TOWN & CONSERVATION

1/35	Back Mountain Road	88,400		88,400
2/39/4	off Back Mountain Rd	3,700		3,700
2/64/28	Shirley Hill Road	4,200		4,200
3/9	off School House Road	7,000		7,000
4/61	off New Boston Road	8,600		8,600
5/14	Goffstown Back Road	111,400		111,400
5/24	Elm Street	191,100		191,100
5/38/39	Juniper Drive	9,300		9,300
5/89	off Wallace Road	9,300		9,300
6/39/1/A	Mast Road	42,800	504,200	547,000
7/3/1	off Mast Road	5,200		5,200
7/61/6	Gorham Pond Road	34,100	99,400	133,500
7/72	Mast St / Autumn Street	195,800		195,800
8/16	off Paige Hill Road	3,100		3,100
9/11/1-3	Hollyhock Lane	11,900		11,900
9/29/1	Tirrell Hill Road	40,300	185,800	226,100
10/11	Tenney Road	6,200		6,200
15/58	Rosemont Street	36,100		36,100
15/59	Rosemont Street	4,800		4,800

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
15/57A	Woodbine Avenue	120,100		120,100
15/73A	Rosemont Street	2,700		2,700
17/37	Plummer St. / Mast Rd.	39,400	394,500	433,900
17/238	Laurier Street	73,500		73,500
19/15	Channel Lane	7,300		7,300
21/85	Cove Street	25,700		25,700
21/64A	Riverside Drive	9,000		9,000
21/120A	Moose Club	10,700		10,700
23/11	Chatel Avenue	67,000		67,000
24/44	Rem Drive	3,500		3,500
24/44R/6	Rem Drive	7,100		7,100
24/59A	Lynchville Park Road	11,600		11,600
26/13A	Mast Road / Henry Bridge	3,100		3,100
27/23	Henry Bridge Road	10,000		10,000
27/25	Center Street	15,100		15,100
28/28	Goffstown Back Road	25,400	128,600	154,000
30/81	Barnard Lane	161,800		161,800
30/25A	Pineridge Road	3,000		3,000
30/29/A	Highland Avenue	4,700		4,700
31/19	off Mast Road	45,400	105,400	150,800
31/22	off Mast Road	24,100		24,100
32/26E/18	Hermsdorf Avenue	5,000		5,000
32/26E/19	Hermsdorf Avenue	5,100		5,100
32/26E/22	Hermsdorf Avenue	5,000		5,000
32//26E/30	Janice Drive	5,000		5,000
32/26E/55	Thomas Drive	5,100		5,100
34/83	Main Street	114,500	501,700	616,200
34/96	Church Street	51,100		51,100
34/99	Church Street	68,000		68,000
34/107	High Street	78,800	232,500	311,300
34/129	Mill Street	14,600		14,600
34/148	Main Street	83,600		83,600
34/152	Main Street	59,400		59,400
34/177	East Union Street	46,700	56,400	103,100
35/48	Island on Glen Lake	81,600		81,600
37/1	Depot Street	121,900		121,900
37/9	North Mast Street	13,500		13,500
38/13	Church Street	83,400	233,700	317,100
40/1	Crescent Lane	20,000		20,000
40/8	Perimeter Road	2,100		2,100
40/11	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/14	Crescent Lane	2,200		2,200

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
40/15	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/16	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/17	Crescent Lane	2,200		2,200
40/18	Crescent Lane	2,100		2,100
40/19	Crescent Lane	1,300		1,300
40/20	Crescent Lane	1,300		1,300
40/21	Crescent Lane	2,200		2,200
40/22	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/23	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/24	Crescent Lane	2,200		2,200
40/25	Crescent Lane	2,500		2,500
40/27	Perimeter Road	2,200		2,200
40/29	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/34	Summit Road	2,200		2,200
40/35	Summit Road	2,200		2,200
40/42	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/4A	Uncanoonuc Mtn.	9,100		9,100
40/50	off Perimeter Road	2,500		2,500
40/53	Beech Lane	2,100		2,100
40/54	Summit Avenue	2,000		2,000
40/56	Maple Lane	2,000		2,000
40/57	Maple Lane	1,900		1,900
40/58	Summit Road	1,900		1,900
40/59	Maple Lane	2,200		2,200
40/61	Chestnut Lane	1,900		1,900
40/63	Chestnut Lane	1,900		1,900
40/64	Chestnut Ln / Summit Road	2,200		2,200
40/65	Beech Lane	2,200		2,200
40/66	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	1,900		1,900
40/67	Beech Lane	2,100		2,100
40/68	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/69	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/70	Chestnut Lane	2,100		2,100
40/71	Chestnut Lane	2,200		2,200
40/72	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	1,600		1,600
40/73	off Perimeter Road	2,100		2,100
40/74	Chestnut Lane	2,300		2,300
40/76	Birch Lane	2,100		2,100
40/77	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	1,800		1,800
40/78	Birch Lane	1,600		1,600
40/79	Uncanoonuc Mountain	1,800		1,800
40/80	Birch Lane	2,000		2,000

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
40/81	Uncanoonuc Mountain	2,100		2,100
40/82	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/83	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/85	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/86	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/87	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/88	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/89	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/90	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/91	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,200		2,200
40/92	Uncanoonuc Mountain	2,100		2,100
40/93	Cedar Lane	1,700		1,700
40/94	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	1,800		1,800
40/95	Uncanoonuc Mountain	2,200		2,200
40/97	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/98	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/99	Pine Lane	2,200		2,200
40/101	Pine Lane	2,300		2,300
40/103	off Perimeter Road	2,100		2,100
40/104	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/105	Summit Ave.	2,300		2,300
40/106	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/107	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	2,100		2,100
40/113	Perimeter Road	183,700		183,700
40/115	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	48,700		48,700
40/47A	off Perimeter Road	2,100		2,100
40/50A	off Perimeter Road	1,500		1,500
41/6	Forest Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/7	Incline Avenue	4,700		4,700
41/9	Incline Avenue	4,400		4,400
41/14	Mountain/Park Ave.	5,500		5,500
41/16	Mountain Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/17	Mountain Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/19	Uncanoonuc Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/21	Park Avenue	7,200		7,200
41/22	Crown Avenue	4,600		4,600
41/23	Uncanoonuc Avenue	2,400		2,400
41/24	Uncanoonuc Avenue	4,500		4,500
41/29	Uncanoonuc Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/30	Incline Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/31	South Mountain Base	4,200		4,200
41/32	Kaoka Avenue	5,000		5,000

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
41/33	Kaoka Avenue	8,100		8,100
41/34	Chocura Avenue	9,500		9,500
41/35	Wonolancet Avenue	7,300		7,300
41/36	Wonolancet Avenue	10,300		10,300
41/37	Chocorua Avenue	7,900		7,900
41/38	Chocorua Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/39	Chocorua Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/40	Chocorua Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/41	Chocorua Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/42	Chocorua Avenue	4,700		4,700
41/43	Chocorua Avenue	6,000		6,000
41/45	Kaoka Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/46	Kaoka Avenue	4,500		4,500
41/47	Kaoka Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/48	Kaoka Avenue	5,000		5,000
41/49	Kaoka Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/50	Koaka Avenue	4,500		4,500
41/51	Mascoma Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/56	Uncanoonuc Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/61	Uncanoonuc Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/62	Uncanoonuc Avenue	4,300		4,300
41/69	Incline Avenue	21,800	9,200	31,000
41/75	So Mtn. Base / RR Ave.	6,500		6,500
41/76	Railroad Avenue	4,500		4,500
41/77	Railroad Avenue	4,800		4,800
41/78	Railroad Avenue	1,900		1,900
41/79	Mascoma Avenue	4,400		4,400
41/80	So. Mtn. Base Road	4,500		4,500
41/64A	Uncanoonuc Avenue	4,200		4,200
42/2	Railroad Avenue	4,700		4,700
42/4	Railroad Avenue	2,000		2,000
42/5	off Railroad Avenue	4,800		4,800
42/12	Incline Avenue	4,300		4,300
42/15	Mountain Avenue	4,500		4,500
42/18	Mountain Avenue	5,300		5,300
42/19	Orr Street	4,500		4,500
42/22	Park Ave	6,100		6,100
42/23	Crown Avenue	6,400		6,400
42/24	Chestnut Slope	30,000		30,000
42/25	Chestnut Slope	4,500		4,500
42/28	Mountain Base Road	4,300		4,300
42/29	Chestnut Slope	4,200		4,200

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
42/31	Chestnut Slope	4,300		4,300
42/32	Chestnut Slope	4,300		4,300
42/33	Chestnut Slope	4,500		4,500
42/35	Chestnut Slope	4,300		4,300
42/36	Chestnut Slope	4,300		4,300
42/37	Chestnut Slope	4,300		4,300
42/40	off Mtn. Base Road	4,400		4,400
42/41	Chestnut Slope	4,300		4,300
42/42	Chestnut Slope	4,300		4,300
42/45	Lake Uncanoonuc	4,400		4,400
42/51	Railroad Avenue	900		900
TOTAL TOWN & CONSERVATION:		\$3,096,000	\$2,451,400	\$5,547,400

GRAND TOTAL

ALL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES: **\$5,452,000 \$22,316,300 \$27,768,300**

GOFFSTOWN 2000 TAX RATE

Town	\$9.61
Local School	\$10.15
State School	\$6.68
County	\$1.99
TOTAL	\$28.43

Goffstown 2000 Tax Rate \$28.43



☐ Town
 ☒ Local School
 ☐ State School
 ☐ County

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

The Goffstown Budget Committee consists of a total of 16 members. Twelve members are elected for staggered three-year terms and four members are appointed each year: one from the Board of Selectmen, one from the School Board, one from the Goffstown Village Water Precinct and one from the Grasmere Village Water Precinct.

The Budget Committee normally meets on the third Tuesday of each month for the purpose of reviewing monthly expenditures by the town departments and the school district.

During the month of November the Budget Committee divides into sub-committees. The town sub-committee meets with the department heads to review and formulate the town budget requests for the following year. The school sub-committee meets with the representatives from the Goffstown School Board for the same purpose. After a lengthy review process and deliberation sessions, each sub-committee recommends a proposed budget to the full Budget Committee during the month of December. In January the Budget Committee then conducts public hearings and finally makes a recommendation for the Deliberative Sessions for both the Town Meeting and School District Meeting.

Major items that were considered this year were: Renovation project for Goffstown AREA High School, Rails to Trails Program and collective bargaining agreements for the Department of Public Works and the Police Department.

The Budget Committee's meetings are open to the public and we welcome your input during our public comment session.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Georgantas, *Chair*



Seated L-R: John Caprio, Suzanne Tremblay, Peter Georgantas (Chairman), Bill Tucker, G. Chris McRae. Standing L-R: John Stafford (Sch. Board Rep.), Lawrence Raimondi, John Davis, Dennis Rechcygl, Richard Fletcher (Goffs. Village Water Rep.), Colleen Russo, Timothy Hanson, Henry Boyle (Alt. Sel. Rep.). Missing: George Fullerton, Pamela Manney, Alice Rohr (Grasmere Village Water Rep.), Robert Wheeler (Sel. Rep.).

PLANNING BOARD



Seated L-R Planning Board Members: Milton Meyers (Alt.), Richard Georgantas, Gossett McRae (Chair), Patricia Gale (Planning Sec.). Standing L-R: Miles Phillips, Lowell VonRuden (Alt.), Jo Ann D'Avanza, Henry Boyle (Sel Rep.), Collis Adams, David Schwerd (Planning & Economic Dev. Coord.) Missing: James Raymond (Vice Chair), Mark Choquette (Alt.), Robert Wheeler (Alt. Sel. Rep.)

Our present zoning ordinance was originally drafted in the 1960's and has been continually amended since then. The result is an ordinance which is somewhat difficult to read and which is generally not "user friendly". The Board has redrafted the ordinance and has it ready for the ballot this March 2001. We have had informational meetings on this new ordinance during the year and strongly encourage everyone to vote in favor of adopting this revised ordinance.

The New Hampshire court decided that the method many cities and towns (including Goffstown) were using to collect impact fees from developers was not acceptable. We must pass an impact fee ordinance as a town, if we wish to continue to collect fees from developers to help offset some of the direct cost associated with a new project. Accordingly, you will see an impact fee ordinance on the ballot this March 2001. We strongly urge everyone to support this article so that we may continue to collect these fees.

Mr. David Schwerd joined us in May of 2000 as Planning Coordinator and Director of Economic Development. He is doing a great job and we welcome him to Goffstown.

The planning department office is on the upper level at town hall where capable staff is available daily during normal business hours to assist anyone with questions about zoning in Goffstown. Ms. Patricia Gale, Secretary to the Planning Board, continues to provide essential guidance and support and we thank her for her continued efforts.

The Planning Board would like to thank the people of Goffstown for their continued support of the Board and its activities and we welcome interested citizens to attend our meetings which are typically held on the second and the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Gossett McRae, *Chairman*

PLANNING OFFICE

2000 was a very busy year in the Planning Office. Development activity increased in 2000. The table below shows the number of subdivision and site plan applications submitted to the Planning Board for review last year.

Type/Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Subdivision	20	20	20	22	8	16	23	21
Site Plan	10	5	8	11	9	12	14	17
Conceptual	17	11	10	16	7	13	19	15
Total	47	36	38	49	24	41	56	53
% Change	-29.85	-23.40	5.56	28.95	-51.02	70.83	36.59	-5.36

As you can see, there was a slight decrease in the number of applications reviewed last year. The development activity however continued to be strong. There were 150 total house lots approved last year. Many of these lots will be phased in over the next five years.

In 2000, the Planning Board worked diligently on the proposed zoning ordinance re-write. Goffstown's original zoning ordinance was created in 1961. The Zoning Ordinance has been amended 33 times since 1967. The ordinance today is confusing, complicated and lacks cohesion. The proposal is to recodify the ordinance, which will be different in form, but in substance is the same as the existing ordinance.

Recent court decisions and intense residential growth in Goffstown have created a need for Impact Fees. Impact fees are fees that are charged to new development. The town collects the fees to offset the capital needs created by new growth. The fees being proposed for 2001 include recreational, school and roads.

In May of 2000, Goffstown hired David Schwerd as the new Planning & Economic Development Coordinator. The Planning Office serves as an advisor to several boards and committees in Goffstown, such as: Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment; Board of Selectmen, Capital Improvements Committee, Economic Development Council, Technical Review Committee, and the Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,
David Schwerd
*Planning & Economic
Development Coordinator*

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

REPORT

The goal of the Capital Improvements program is to ensure citizen health, safety and welfare by maintaining facilities and the improvements of essential services.

When related to the Master Plan, the CIP process works to anticipate investments in community facilities which are needed to serve or shape the pattern of development and growth.

The Capital Improvement Program is one measure, which the Planning Board may use to judge whether a development is scattered and premature based on the absence of essential public services, where the development could require excessive public expenditures to supply these services. After meeting with all department heads the committee studies each project and may make recommendations to the department. The final report is subject to approval from the public, the Planning Board, Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

The budgetary purpose of the CIP Committee is to receive, analyze and prioritize capital proposals, which the town can anticipate over the next six (6) years.

Please find the report of the Capital Improvements Committee on the following pages. *The CIP Report does not reflect changes made by either the Board of Selectmen or the Budget Committee for budget year 2001.* This report represents the recommendations of the CIP Committee which is a sub-committee of the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Gossett McRae, *Co-Chairman*
Richard Georgantas, *Co-Chairman*

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FY 2001 – 2006

VEHICLES						
DEPARTMENT	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06
POLICE:						
Cruisers	82,000	57,000	90,000	92,000	93,000	96,000
SUBTOTAL:	\$82,000	\$57,000	\$90,000	\$92,000	\$93,000	\$96,000
FIRE:						
Refurbish Ladder 6		100,000				200,000
Replace Engine 5						
Replace AMB-2		100,000				
Replace Utility 1				25,000		
Car 2 Replacement			32,000			
SUBTOTAL:	\$0	\$200,000	\$32,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$200,000
PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.:						
EVO Lodal Packer	180,000					103,000
Replace 93 75yd. Trailer #78				61,000		
Replace 93 75yd. Trailer #79					64,000	
Replace 92 MACK #22		88,000				
Replace 92 MACK #21			92,000			
Replace 92 MACK #23				95,000		
Replace 92 MACK #24					99,000	
Replace 92 MACK #25						
Replace 1988 Pickup #70	35,000					
Replace 1989 Pickup #90 1-ton	55,000					
Replace 1991 Pickup #60		37,000				
Replace 1992 Pickup #51			39,000			
Replace 1992 Pickup #50				41,000		
Replace 1997 Pickup #40						
Replace 1995 Pickup #20					43,000	
Replace 1984 Caterpillar Backhoe #18						
Replace 1988 Caterpillar Loader #14			130,000			
Replace 1990 Caterpillar Backhoe #12	117,000					
MACK Tractor Retrofit			8,000			
New Street Sweeper			120,000			
SUBTOTAL:	\$387,000	\$125,000	\$389,000	\$197,000	\$206,000	\$287,000
PARKS & RECREATION						
Escort Wagon						16,500
SUBTOTAL:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,500
TOTAL:	\$469,000	\$382,000	\$511,000	\$314,000	\$299,000	\$599,500

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FY 2001 – 2006

CAPITAL PROJECTS

DEPARTMENT	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06
ADMINISTRATION						
Geographical Information System	130,000	80,000				
Reconstruct Town Hall Parking Lot		34,000				
SUBTOTAL:	\$130,000	\$114,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONSERVATION COMMISSION						
Waterfront at Glen Lake	101,700	11,300				
(Contingent upon grant)						
SUBTOTAL:	\$101,700	\$11,300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
HISTORIC DIST. COMMISSION						
Grasmere Town Hall Renovation	30,000	236,000				
(Contingent upon grant)						
SUBTOTAL:	\$30,000	\$236,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
PLANNING / ECONOMIC DEV.						
Master Plan Update			35,000			
Corridor Plan Update	40,000					
Industrial Land Acquisition		125,000				
Rails to Trails Project	390,000		300,000		500,000	
SUBTOTAL:	\$430,000	\$125,000	\$35,000	\$0	\$500,000	\$0
POLICE						
Drainage, Parking Lot & Lighting	31,000					
Rooftop Heating Unit Replacement		46,000				
Enhanced PD Communications						25,000
SUBTOTAL:	\$31,000	\$46,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000
FIRE						
Church Street Station Renovations	35,000					
Municipal Alarm Upgrade			25,000			
SUBTOTAL:	\$35,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
PARKS & RECREATION						
Barnard Pool Bottom Replacement					65,000	
SUBTOTAL:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$65,000	\$0
PUBLIC WORKS						
Reclamation	175,830	184,000	194,000	204,000	215,000	226,000
St. Anselm/Rt.114 Intersection		365,000				
Main, Elm & High St Intersection	44,000					
Wallace & Mast Rd Improvement		500,000				
Snook Rd Reconstruction					232,000	
Sidewalk - Danis Park to						630,000
Moose Club Park Road						
Sidewalk - Center Street		33,000				
Sidewalk Reconstruction	40,000	42,000	44,100	46,000	49,000	51,000
Mountain Rd Bridge Replacement	25,000	200,000				
Harry Brook Bridge				150,000		
Drainage Projects	75,000	25,000	27,000	29,000	31,000	33,000
North Mast Rd Drainage		55,000	350,000	350,000		
Shirley Hill Rd Cemetery Stonewall				40,000		
Demo Shredder			41,000			

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FY 2001 – 2006

CAPITAL PROJECTS

DEPARTMENT	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06
Municipal Recycling (bonded - 5 yrs)			70,000	182,000	173,000	164,000
SUBTOTAL:	\$757,000	\$1,006,000	\$726,100	\$1,001,000	\$700,000	\$1,104,000
PAGE SUBTOTAL:	\$1,514,700	\$1,538,300	\$1,086,100	\$1,001,000	\$1,265,000	\$1,129,000
COMBINED TOTAL	1,983,700	1,920,300	1,597,100	1,315,000	1,564,000	1,728,500
OFFSETTING REVENUE:	707,790	384,300	240,000	120,000	400,000	504,000
NET COST:	1,275,910	1,536,000	1,357,100	1,195,000	1,164,000	1,224,500
% INCREASE/DECREASE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR:	11%	20%	-12%	-12%	-3%	5%

Offsetting Revenue:

01- G.I.S. - Sewer - \$20,000
 01- Waterfront at Glen Lake Grant - \$113,000
 01- Rail to Trails TEA21 grant - \$312,000
 01- St. Anselm/Rt.114- State Aid - \$243,090
 01- Center Street Sidewalk - \$16,000
 01- Drainage Offsite Improvements - \$15,000

02- Amb-2 -Gemsa - \$75,000
 02- Historic Society Grant - \$118,000
 02- Mtn. Rd State Grant - \$180,000
 04- State Aid - Harry Brook - \$120,00
 06- Sidewalk / Danis Pk State Grant - \$504,000



Church Street Park

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FY 2001 – 2006

CAPITAL PROJECTS

DEPARTMENT	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06
SEWER COMMISSION						
Piscataquog River	\$145,000	\$139,000	\$132,000	\$125,000	\$118,000	\$110,000
Interceptor \$1.5M						
West Side Pump Sta.,	157,000	149,000	141,000	133,000		
1A-1C & 3A						
MWWTP Upgrade/Capacity	179,000	172,000	165,000	158,000	151,000	144,000
Lynchville Park System			113,000	364,000	354,000	345,000
Moose Club Park System	88,000	86,000	84,000	81,000	79,000	76,000
Knollcrest	75,000	71,000	69,000	67,000	65,000	64,000
River Crossing		44,000	42,000	40,000	39,000	33,000
Hermesdorf System				77,000	249,000	243,000
Inflow & Infiltration Project	185,000	185,000	185,000	185,000	185,000	185,000
SEWER TOTAL:	\$825,000	\$875,000	\$890,000	\$973,000	\$1,271,000	\$1,279,000
State's Share:	274,000	261,000	249,000	236,000	224,000	216,000
User's Share:	555,000	585,000	682,000	994,000	1,016,000	984,000
VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT						
Well System Improvement	25,000	25,000	25,000			
Upgrade to Water System					975,000	975,000
Truck	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Pipework (LOOP)	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
WATER PRECINCT TOTAL:	\$88,000	\$88,000	\$88,000	\$63,000	\$1,038,000	\$1,038,000

SCHOOLS' CAPITAL PROJECTS

DEPARTMENT	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06
SCHOOL DISTRICT						
GAHS Renov. (20 Yr. Bond) \$14.35M		425,968	1,129,258	1,092,358	1,055,458	1,018,558
Land For New Elementary School		300,000				
New Elementary School (15yr Bond)				234,138	693,725	666,305
Existing Bond Payments	1,089,000	1,046,000	999,000	956,000	908,000	865,000
Classroom Space	86,000	129,000	129,000	68,000		
SUBTOTAL:	\$1,175,000	\$1,900,968	\$2,257,258	\$2,350,496	\$2,657,183	\$2,549,863
DISTRICT WIDE						
Truck Replacement		25,000				
Technology Plan	150,000					
SUBTOTAL:	\$150,000	\$25,000				
SCHOOL TOTAL:	\$1,325,000	\$1,925,968	\$2,257,258	\$2,350,496	\$2,657,183	\$2,549,863
OFFSETTING REVENUES:	235,333	703,533	704,083	704,083	704,083	704,083
NET SCHOOL COST:	1,089,667	1,222,435	1,553,175	1,646,413	1,953,100	1,845,780
% INCREASE/DECREASE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR:	187%	12%	27%	6%	19%	-5%
COMBINED TOWN & SCHOOL TOTAL:	\$2,365,577	\$2,758,435	\$2,910,275	\$2,841,413	\$3,117,100	\$3,070,280
% INCREASE/DECREASE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR:	55%	17%	6%	-2%	10%	-2%

SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission has a wide range of services and resources available to help with a variety of municipal issues. Technical assistance is provided by a professional staff whose expertise is, when necessary, supplemented by consultants who are selected for their specialized skills or services. Each year, with the approval of your appointed representatives, the Commission staff designs and carries out programs of area-wide significance that are mandated under New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, and local or site-specific projects which would pertain more exclusively to your community.

Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner by staff at the request of your Planning and Economic Development Coordinator and/or Town Administrator. The Commission conducts planning studies and carries out projects that are of common interest and benefit to all member communities, keeps your officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulation and, in conjunction with the New Hampshire Municipal Association, offers training workshops for Planning and Zoning Board members on an annual basis.

Services that were performed for the Town of Goffstown during the past year are as follows:

- Co-sponsored the Municipal Law Lecture series. These meetings are attended by Goffstown officials.
- Conducted traffic counts at thirty-two (32) locations in the Town of Goffstown. Data was forwarded to the Chairman of the Planning Board.
- Provided a copy of "Housing Needs Assessment for the SNHPC Region," prepared by the Commission staff.
- Provided a copy of the Regional Transportation Plan update (August 2000) and the TIP FY 2001-2003 to the Planning and Exconomic Development Coordinator. A copy of this document has also been forwarded to the town's library.
- Reviewed and offered comments on three traffic impact studies. They are (1) the Traffic Impact Assessment for the Pond View Park development; (2) a gas station and convenience store on Mast Road; and (3) a proposed 47-lot open-space development known as Cinnamon Woods Development.
- Updated all of the town's large-scale tax maps which were prepared in the previous fiscal year. One set of these maps was forwarded to the town. Additionally, one set of maps (in smaller scale) measuring 11" x 17" was also forwarded to the town.

Arthur W. Rose
Robert Wheeler
Milton Myers

Goffstown's Representatives to the Commission
Robert Wheeler, *Executive Committee Member*

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



L-R Front Row: Judith DesMueles, William Dolbow, Margaret Dolbow (Sec.), William Hamilton (Vice-Chair). L-R Back Row: Robert Wheeler (Sel. Rep.), Henry Grady, David Schwerd (Town Administrator's Rep.), William Jabjiniak (Chair), Daniel Reidy, Bruce Hunter (Sel. Rep.). Missing: Gossett McRae (Planning Board Rep.), Matthew Peterson, Richard Stanley, Philip Tatros.

The Goffstown Economic Development Council (GEDC) took a somewhat lower profile as we ushered in the new century until May when we welcomed the new Planning and Economic Development Coordinator, David Schwerd, to Goffstown.

The committee was extremely happy to see projects they have previously supported, such as Malloy Ford and the Pond View Industrial Park on Goffstown Back Road, become a reality. GEDC also voted in June of 2000 to support the Talisman Commercial Subdivision on Mast Road, which received Planning Board approval in late December of that year. This was viewed as a major step in the right direction for increasing our non-residential tax base in one of the few areas zoned for commercial growth.

The Town was also part of a successful grant through the Southern New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission to develop data, information and mapping tools useful in their economic development planning.

One of GEDC's goals was to be proactive in identifying what encourages businesses to establish themselves in Goffstown. What we found was it is still *location, location, location* but ease of obtaining information ranks very high when a potential employer is evaluating a community. With this in mind, the town's website, www.ci.goffstown.nh.us, has included information on economic development. Input is always welcome and we encourage your suggestions after you check it out!

Goffstown's Economic Development Council was particularly pleased to see the Pinardville Business Association organizing and relaying their message of supporting the businesses in Pinardville in much the same way as the Main Street Program has promoted the Village Area of town as a great place to do business! The bottom line is "shop Goffstown!"

The Council has taken great interest in two adjoining parcels, St. Lawrence Church and the Janigan Mill property. While the church is actively pursuing a potential move from the Village, and the Mill property owner is investigating the adaptive reuse of his property, GEDC is pushing for a study of the entire area to identify potential solutions for all parties involved.

Stay tuned for an exciting 2001 as we pursue our goals for continued growth!

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Jabjiniak, *Chairman*



Eagle Scout Beautification Project on Main Street completed by Justin Hall.

BUILDING & HEALTH OFFICE

The Building and Health Department is located at 16 Main Street on the second floor of town hall. Our office hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 8:30 am to Noon on Wednesday, and 8:30 am to 6:00 pm on Thursday. The Building Department is staffed by the building inspector who is also the health officer, and Mellisa Bruce a part-time secretary. As Building Inspector I am responsible for all code enforcement adopted by the town. I also review all plans, issue building, electrical, plumbing and mechanical permits, inspect all phases of construction, issue certificate of occupancies and am responsible for all legal matters concerning building codes and health issues. In spite of a strong economy and the availability of building lots, the town has seen a decrease in single family homes for the second year in a row. On the plus side, these new homes are larger and have a greater value than homes of past years. Commercial building remains sluggish.

This year we welcomed Anthony Simon as Zoning Code Enforcement Officer. Tony is responsible for all zoning issues. Welcome aboard Tony!

Any questions you might have concerning building codes should be directed to the Building Department at 497-3612. We are here to help you.

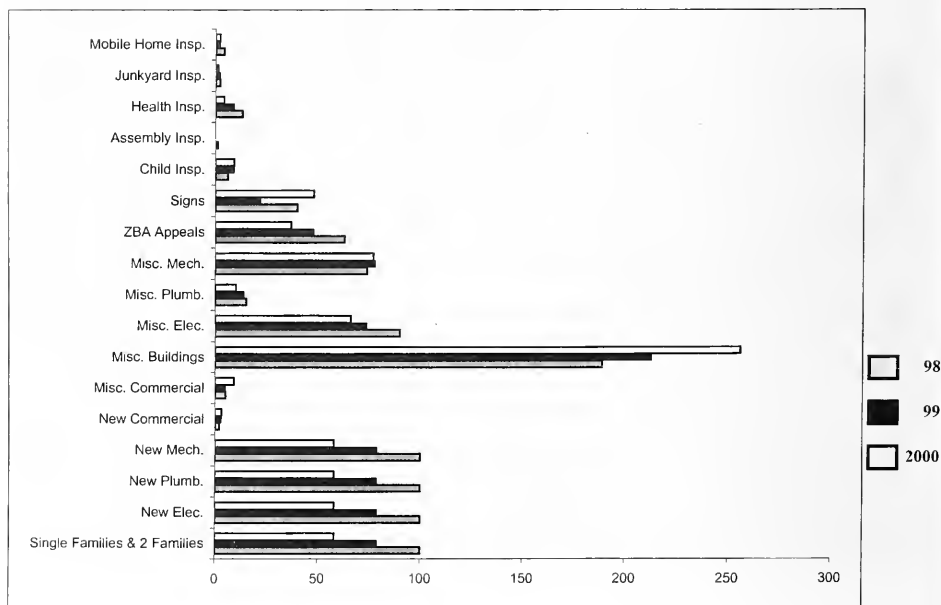
AN AREA OF CONCERN: For the benefit of the people who live in flood hazard areas, the town participates in the National Flood Insurance Program. This program is designed to make low insurance rates available to property owners in the flood plains. Along with the benefits comes regulations. These regulations must be rigorously enforced to maintain the town's good standing with NFIP. To guarantee the continued success of the National Flood Insurance Program, everyone having property in the floodplains needs to cooperate and observe the building regulations of the program, or else we will lose it. Any questions? Call 497-3612.

PRIVATE WELL USERS: Have you had your well tested recently? Drinking water from private wells in New Hampshire sometimes contains contaminants at levels that can pose health risks. Only a water quality test by a competent laboratory can assure that your family is protected. The following contaminants, some naturally occurring and others man-made, have been found in private well water in New Hampshire and may be present in your well: Arsenic, Bacteria, Fluoride, Nitrate, Radium, Radon, Sodium, Uranium, and Volatile Organic Chemicals (VOC's). For more information please visit the NH Department of Environmental Services' web site at www.des.state.nh.us/wseb then select "fact sheet", then 2-1.

Respectfully submitted,
Edmond J. Neveu
*Building Inspector, Health Officer &
Building Code Enforcement Officer*

BUILDING PERMIT REPORT

TYPE OF PERMIT	1998		1999		2000	
	No. of Permits	Permit Fees	No. of Permits	Permit Fees	No. of Permits	Permit Fees
Single Families & 2 Families	100	\$29,888	79	\$23,028	58	\$20,332
New Electrical	100	8,343	79	2,503	58	5,636
New Plumbing	100	7,406	79	6,836	58	4,769
New Mechanical	100	5,921	79	5,869	58	3,815
New Commercial	2	6,480	3	10,483	3	6,200
Misc. Commercial	5	1,416	5	1,984	9	4,544
Misc. Buildings	189	9,787	213	13,089	256	13,950
Misc. Electrical	90	3,529	74	1,890	66	1,635
Misc. Plumbing	15	375	14	365	10	230
Misc. Mechanical	74	2,025	78	2,040	77	1,920
ZBA Appeals	63	2,937	48	2,445	37	1,846
Signs	40	680	22	530	48	1,180
Child Care Inspection	6	0	9	50	9	0
Assembly Insp.	1	50	0	0	0	0
Health Inspection	13	0	9	0	4	0
Junkyard Insp.	2	0	2	50	1	25
Mobile Home Insp.	4	400	2	0	2	200
Misc. Fees	0	569	0	1,297	0	1,026
TOTALS	904	\$79,806	795	\$76,806	754	\$67,309



ZONING CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

With my arrival in Town hall this past July, zoning enforcement became a separate function. Previously part of the Building Department, this change was made in recognition of the increased demands that were being placed on the Building Inspector.

Much of my time so far has been spent becoming familiar with the community and the zoning ordinance and establishing realistic and effective procedures. My goal is to provide a meaningful service, not simply add to the bureaucracy.

My duties involve administering all aspects of the zoning ordinance. This includes receiving and responding to complaints of ordinance violations, receiving and acting on sign permit applications and preparing the cases in which an application has been made to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA). I am also responsible for enforcing the conditions that are part of approvals granted by a board or commission such as the ZBA or the Planning Board. Additionally, I assist and support the Building Code Enforcement Officer both with that function and with his duties as Health Officer. I am also involved with rewriting portions of the proposed zoning ordinance that will be voted on at the upcoming town meeting.

This position is proving to be a busy one. Perhaps the paramount challenge is accomplishing all that has to be done within the fifteen hours per week that has been authorized for this function. This part-time schedule means that I am generally in Town Hall on Monday and Thursday with variations dictated by job requirements and the calendar. I can be reached at 497-3612 and messages may be left for me anytime that Town Hall offices are open.

I have been thoroughly impressed with the high caliber of town employees and the dedication to their jobs that they exhibit. I also deeply appreciate the warm welcome that I have received and the assistance that has been provided to me as I embark on my tasks. The challenges faced by New Hampshire towns as the new millennium dawns are enormous. Those challenges are only intensified for those communities located in regions with major metropolitan areas. I look forward to being part of the effort to maintain and enhance Goffstown's charm, character and ambience in the years ahead.

Anthony F. Simon
Zoning Code Enforcement Officer

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Appeals heard by the Zoning Board in 2000	= 36
Appeals Approved	= 27
Appeals Denied	= 8
Withdrawals	= 1

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) has the authority, after public hearing and notice to:

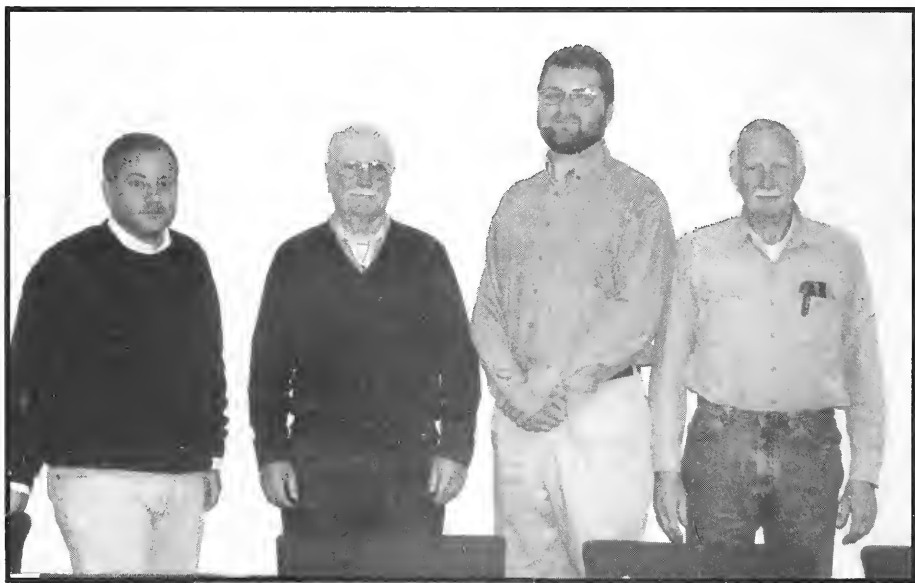
1. Decide appeals from the administrative decisions of the municipal officials or boards responsible for issuing permits or enforcing the zoning ordinance;
2. Approve special exceptions as provided for in the zoning ordinance;
3. Grant variances from terms of the ordinance.

Regularly scheduled meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm and are followed by hearings which begin at 7:30 pm. Additional special public hearings and meetings are held as required.

Notices of meetings are posted in the Town Hall and advertised in the *Goffstown News*. Applicants and abutters are notified by certified mail.

All meetings are open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Grady, *Chairman*



L-R: Anthony Marts (Vice Chair), Henry Grady (Chair), William Jabjiniak (Clerk), James Kibby. Missing: Edward Dial, Jr., K. Brian McLaughlin, Dianne Shakra (Alt.), Howard Witherspoon (Alt.), Patrick Donovan (Alt.).

PUBLIC WORKS

This is the first annual report that I write from our new facility on Elm Street. The Department officially moved into the new facility on November 22, 2000. With the exception of some out storage sheds the construction of the facility is complete. The Department of Public Works would like to formally thank the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee and everyone else in town who has supported us on achieving this project over the past two years. If you have not yet seen the facility located behind the Transfer Station feel free to stop by for a peek, we love to show it off.

As usual we had more work to complete last summer then time to complete it. We implemented a new work order tracking system last year. Though it was the first year using it and we had several bugs to work through it will help us better track and follow through on the work that is needed. On top of all the major projects we already needed to complete we received 588 work requests. Of that number, all but 54 were completed. Those that were not completed are still in the system to be resolved as quickly as possible. We appreciate everyone's patience as we try to balance the limited resources available with the responsibilities we need to fulfill.

We were also very busy in the Fleet Maintenance Division. We maintain the entire Town fleet including over 117 pieces of equipment. Despite the interruption of building and relocating to a new facility we completed 866 repair orders last year. That does not include all the small repairs that are performed as soon as they are needed.

In addition to completing the new facility, there were several other major projects that were completed. We completed the last remaining stretch of Wallace Road, East Union Street drain, new drainage on New Boston Road, and the Parker Road Bridge. Unfortunately, we did not get any bids that we could afford to accept for the reconstruction of the Main Street bridge. We will try to bid that project for next season.

We began construction on Tibbetts Hill Road. I am sure that the residents of that area would have liked to see more progress, however, it was always planned to be a two-year project. Next summer it will be our top priority to complete.

We also made some changes in our Cemetery Division with the re-assignment of a full-time staff person to oversee the day-to-day maintenance of our three cemeteries, facilities, and grounds. The results led to a much more satisfied customer base. This is a change that we hope to permanently make in the department.

In Solid Waste, we renegotiated a very favorable long-term disposal contract with the incinerator in Biddeford, Maine. We also signed a three-year contract extension with our current vendor for curbside recycling. Through both of these contracts were favorable for the town, they both increased costs significantly. We as a town need to focus our attention at ways to increase recycling and reduce the amount of refuse that we throw away.

Construction of the Landfill Closure on Laurier Street is well under way. We received very favorable bids for the project and our contractor is aggressively trying to meet the schedule that will complete construction by next fall. At the end of the project we will have at least 4 if not 5 new athletic fields available to the children of the community. We are the first community in the State to get approval for such a reuse of an old landfill.

In the next season we hope to complete our work on Tibbetts Hill Road, the overlay of Mast Road in Pinardville, the new sidewalk on Center Street, the Main Street Bridge, the realignment of Elm Street & Main Street, and the major culvert replacements on Shirley Hill Road. We will also be beginning a drainage design on North Mast Street and First Avenue as proposed in the Capital Improvements Plan. We also look forward to participating in the creation of a town-wide Geographic Information System which will lead to much more efficient access to information in town and should greatly enhance our ability to deliver timely service to the citizen's of Goffstown.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl L. Quiram, PE
Director of Public Works

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

This year a number of diseased trees were removed from the Westlawn and Shirley Hill Cemeteries. Shrubs and flowers were planted at Westlawn Cemetery along with other ongoing beautification projects.

A plan to include information for all town and private cemeteries for the GIS project is ongoing. A survey of fallen/broken headstones and monuments in all town cemeteries has been completed.

The Department of Public Works is considering a full-time position for the day-to-day upkeep and maintenance of the three town cemeteries. A volunteer beautification committee is currently working on long-range plans for the cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Kenney
Ezra Beck
Leon Konieczny
Goffstown Cemetery Trustees

SOLID WASTE COMMISSION

The Goffstown Solid Waste Commission serves as an advisory committee to the Selectmen, making recommendations on matters regarding recycling and waste disposal. The commission consists of 7 citizen members, Selectman Representative Phil D'Avanza, and Recycling Coordinator Russ Lauriat. In addition special thanks go to the Director of Public Works Carl Quiram for attending and participating in every meeting.

Solid Waste Commission topics for 2000 included: increasing recycling, household hazardous waste day, solid waste disposal, transportation and recycling contracts, automated recycling pickup, and "pay as you throw" options.

The Treasure Trailer located at the Transfer Station is open Saturdays from 8 am to 12 Noon June through October. Staffed by volunteers, its function is to divert reusable items from the waste stream thereby saving disposal and transportation costs. Monies generated by this operation are deposited in the town treasury. We invite residents to participate in this voluntary program.

Special thanks go out to Mr. Dennis Sweeney and Blue Ribbon Fence for providing and installing two new fences around the Treasure Trailer at no cost to the town. His generosity is very much appreciated.

The Solid Waste Commission meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 pm. Meetings are held at the Public Works building located at the Transfer Station on Elm Street. Residents are welcome to attend the meetings and offer input. We encourage Goffstown residents to produce less waste by practicing the three R's: REDUCE - REUSE-RECYCLE.

Respectfully submitted,
Gene Haselton, *Chair*



L-R (seated): Barbara Barbour, Kilton Barnard, and Eugene Haselton (Chair).

L-R (standing): Joan Stevens, Russ Lauriat (Transfer Stat. Supvr.), Carl Quiram (DPW Director). Missing: Philip D'Avanza (Sel. Rep.), Frank Leffman, Reta MacGregor, I. Richard Schaffner Jr.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The department is a full service law enforcement agency that provides 24-hour coverage to the community, and is often the initial responder in most emergency situations. The department handled 17,046 calls for service during the year 2000, versus 16,322 in 1999, an increase of 4.25%. There were 2,834 criminal and motor vehicle arrests during 2000, an average of 7.8 per day.

The crimes against person's category continued to show a downward trend during the past year. This trend can be attributed to a number of factors, notably the aggressive investigation, prosecution of offenders, and follow-up contact with victims and witnesses. Unfortunately, there was a reported homicide during June, which resulted in the death of two persons, and the arrest of a family member as the alleged offender. Responding Officers, Sgt. Mark Young, Officer Tracy Culberson, and Officer Mike Sullivan, were faced with a violent offender who threatened them. Despite these threats and violence, the officers were able to bring the situation under control quickly, and without further harm to the offender or other citizens. The case was extremely labor intensive, involving a crime scene search of over 3 days. We are grateful for the assistance of the NH State Police Crimes Unit and the NH Attorney General's Office in helping to cover this incident.

Motor Vehicle crashes decreased by 3% from 673 in 1999 to 653 in 2000. Unfortunately, the number of crashes involving injury increased by 15%. Aggressive driving habits, and inattention, appear to be some of the more frequent causation factors. The good news is that there were no motor vehicle related fatalities this past year.

A display radar trailer was added to the department this year thanks to a grant from the NH Highway Safety Agency and the generosity of the Goffstown Police Association. The Association provided sixty percent of the needed funds for this purpose with the remainder coming from Highway Safety. This trailer, equipped with a fully calibrated radar unit and onboard computer for traffic counts and analysis, displays the speed of oncoming vehicles. Designed to educate motorists and gain voluntary compliance with speed laws, thus reducing the severity of traffic crashes, the unit has been placed in various locations throughout the Town.

The Goffstown Police Association presents the new radar trailer to the Town at a Board of Selectmen's meeting. The Association funded over 60% of the purchase price with the remainder coming from a grant from the NH Highway Safety Agency.



PROGRAMS

The department continued its community policing initiatives utilizing a problem-solving model in a collaborative effort working with individuals, neighborhoods, schools, and community groups to deter and prevent incidents before they occur.

After a three year assignment to the DARE Program, Officer Pouliot left the program to return to the Patrol Division. His energy and enthusiasm will certainly be missed in the classroom. Officer Keith Chauvette is now the full-time DARE Officer and is developing an enhancement to the Officer Friendly Program in the elementary grades. These programs are provided in all of the public schools and the Villa Augustina.

Safe School Act reports continue to decline indirect response to the the School/Community Resource Officer Program. This program, in the second year, of a three-year grant, operates primarily out of the High School. In addition to the work at the school, Officer Moloney, in operation with Jen Batterton, Executive Director of Crispin's House developed a summer program for at risk youths. This highly successful program is expected to be repeated this year.

The department is proud to announce that on December 2nd we received reaccreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. This program allows the department to demonstrate compliance with national standards and maintain and improve our provision of services to the community, while also reducing risk in high liability areas. Under the direction of Accreditation Manager Sergeant Susan J. LeBel the department was cited for not having a single file returned during the on-site assessment. Accreditation is valid for the next three years. The department is one of only approximately 700 out of the more than 17,000 law enforcement agencies across the country to achieve this status.



Sponsored by local businesses and the Goffstown Police Association, the department unveiled its newest collection of "Cop Cards". A very popular collection piece, these cards, with personal safety messages displayed, can be obtained from on-duty personnel. The collection includes sworn and non-sworn members of the department.

In the third year of existence the volunteer program once again assisted the department with day to day operational tasks and special projects. Volunteers assist by answering business phone lines, filing, and property management. Special projects include Child Fingerprinting, Truancy Tracking (in cooperation with the High School), Halloween Safety Day, and the Little League celebrations.

The department introduced a Citizen's Police Academy this past year, designed to inform citizens about the role of their police department in the community. Coordinated by Sgt. John Tuthill and Communications Specialist Debbie Little, this academy allowed members of the organization to show their particular areas of expertise, while providing a snapshot view of policing in Goffstown. Eleven citizens participated in this first session. We hope to offer this program again in the spring.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Center serves as a Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Dispatch for the Town. In addition, we provide contractual services to the New Boston Police and Fire/EMS Service and the Weare Police and Fire/EMS. Goffstown derives approximately \$44,195 in annual income from these contracts.

Staffed by eight dispatchers and one supervisor, the Communications Center operates 24-hours per day and handles over 560,000 radio transmissions, 90,000 phone calls, 194,000 teletype and computer messages, which generates in excess of 21,300 calls for service each year.

The patrol units are now equipped with Mobile Data Terminals that allow officers to query motor vehicle listings and wanted person files directly from the patrol unit. This enhances officer safety and improves efficiency.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The police department also handles the emergency management function for the Town. Our mission is to coordinate the town's emergency readiness capabilities, in case of a natural or manmade disaster.

During the year we continued to work with the schools to update their emergency and school safety plans. Drills and tabletop exercises were conducted to test the plans and allowed administrators and emergency service workers the opportunity to take a critical look at responses and make revisions where necessary.

Some of the goals for the upcoming year include added training for first responders in the area of hazardous materials. Using digital photography and Power Point presentations this training will identify locations in the community with the potential for hazardous material incidents, and plan out the most appropriate approaches to these emergencies.

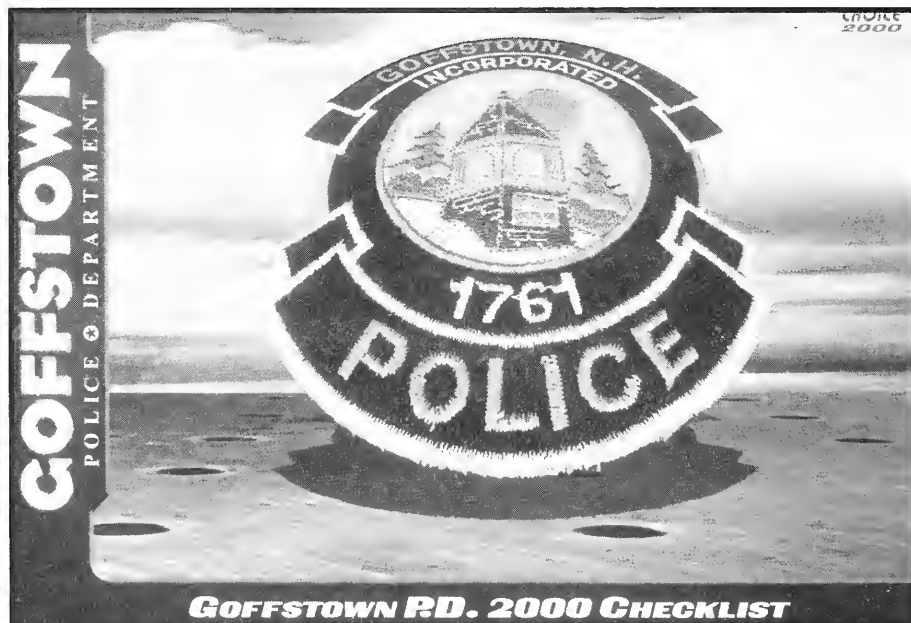
On behalf of the men and women of the department, allow me to express our appreciation for your continued support and cooperation. Preserving Goffstown as a great place to live and work is everyone's responsibility. Through dedication and commitment all members will continue to enhance our efforts and abilities to keep our community as safe as possible. With your help we will further meet future expectations and challenges in a positive manner.

Complaint Category:	2000	3 Yr. Average
MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES:		
Crashes w/Injury	79	69
Fatal w/Pedestrian	0	0
Fatalities	0	0
No Injury	527	352
Bike w/Injury	0	3
OHRV w/Injury	1	1
Hit & Run	42	56
Pedestrian	4	3
Total Crashes:	653	484
CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS:		
Abuse/Neglect	30	35
Assaults	214	236
Criminal Threat	95	90
Domestic Violence	164	202
Harassment	133	138
Indecent Exposure	11	6
Juvenile Offenses	373	332
Narcotics	45	106
Robbery	1	3
Sexual Assault	11	17
Total Crimes Against Persons:	1,141	1,265
CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER:		
Alarms	793	804
Animal	463	477
Burglary	47	44
Courtesy Calls	1953	1824
Crime Prevention	401	406
Criminal Mischief	389	349
Disorderly Conduct	153	136
Larceny	426	428
Motor Vehicle Complaints	800	641
Motor Vehicle Thefts	11	13
Noise	238	243
Suspicious Persons	149	167
Suspicious Vehicles	142	179
All Other Complaints	5,282	5,057
Total Crimes Against Property/Other:	11,247	10,765

Compliant Category	2000	3 Yr. Average
ARRESTS & SUMMONSES:		
Speed	880	880
DWI	58	63
Oper. After Revocation	73	70
Reckless Operation	9	9
Other MV Offenses	1,019	958
Total MV Arrests	2,039	1,987
Written Warnings (Not Arrests)	3,127	3,368
Combined MV Activity:	5,166	5,355

CRIMINAL ARRESTS:	2000	Juv.	3 Yr. Average
Homicide & Attempted Homicide	1	0	1
Negligent Homicide	0	0	0
Assault	101	21	118
Larceny	29	7	56
Burglary	5	1	10
Disorderly Conduct	28	11	19
Criminal Mischief	23	5	27
Narcotics	32	10	61
Resisting Arrest	10	2	11
Other Criminal Offenses	566	122	642
Total Criminal Arrests:	795	179	945

Respectfully submitted,
 Michael T. French
Chief of Police



FIRE DEPARTMENT

Through the efforts of volunteers, paid on call firefighters and fulltime firefighters the Goffstown Fire Department provides both fire and emergency medical services around the clock. At any given time, we have a total of 85 - 95 firefighters and EMT's assigned to three stations. Recruitment of call firefighters and EMT's is continuous and necessary to assure adequate staffing to operate ten pieces of fire apparatus and two ambulances from three fire stations. We have always had up and downs in the number of call and volunteer personnel on the department. If you are interested in serving your community in a very hands on and direct way our Department may be for you. If you are at least 18 years old, a Goffstown citizen, and in excellent physical condition, I would be very interested in talking to you about serving on the GFD. We provide the training and part-time employment opportunities.



COMPLETED PROJECTS

The new Hose truck was delivered in December and is now in service. This apparatus was purchased in 1999 and was manufactured in Cornish N.H. by the Dingree Machine Company. With the delivery of this water supply truck, fighting large fires in all areas of town will be improved. The truck will pump 1500 GPM from any source such as the river or a dry hydrant. It carries 2000 feet of large diameter hose that may be deployed and picked up quickly.

A new water tank was installed in the tanker. The metal tank had corroded and was failing. A new plastic tank of the same size was installed that will last the truck lifetime.

The Forestry truck has a new tank and pump placed on the vehicle. This is a 1966 surplus military truck and may need to be replaced but will be done with another military surplus four wheel drive vehicle. The new pump and tank is mounted on a frame that will allow an easy transition from one vehicle to the next. A portion of this expense was recouped from a federal grant available to N.H. communities.

The replacement for the Chief's vehicle was delivered and placed in service. This is a four wheel drive Ford Explorer. It is serving us well and has several advantages over the sedan type vehicle.

This year the Village of Glen Falls and Medford Farms had new address numbers assigned. Some 300 homes were still using the lot numbers assigned when the private development was built. This made it difficult to find a residence when an emergency occurred. This was a cooperative effort between the Fire Department, park management, and the residences of these communities. Everyone in Goffstown needs to make sure your address number is visible from the street. It is suggested that the number be 3" tall and reflective, making it easy to find you, day or night, for any emergency.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Emergency requests for Fire Department services were up 3% over 1999. Most of this increase was due to emergency medical services. Our two ambulances are both busy with approximately 900 EMS calls per year. We provide the best service we can with the available resources. Most of the time during the day, we have one paramedic on duty that will respond to any life threatening medical call. During the evening and night hours we have two volunteer paramedics who respond, when available, from their homes.

The Goffstown Emergency Medical Services Association has funded the direct expense of EMS since 1979. This has been done with voluntary contributions and has always been a success. However, with the increase in call volume and increase in operating expenses, GEMSA cannot commit to continue as they have in the past. With that understanding, the Selectmen is recommending a fee for ambulance service

PREVENTION & EDUCATION

This year 1337 fire prevention services were completed. This included 382 inspections, 374 address assignments, 66 fire drills, 398 safety inquiries, and 117 school visits and classes.

School programs contacted hundreds of children both in school and at the fire stations. It is our philosophy that educating children early about the dangers of fire will reduce the number of fires and the damage they cause. It is an effective and efficient method of fighting fire.

Many new fire alarms and sprinkler systems were installed and inspected by the department. The Villa Augustina School is also working towards greater fire safety and has a three year plan to upgrade the school's safety standards. This past year a new twelve inch water main was extended to the facility to supply an automatic sprinkler system in the school. This system is due to be completed this year.

Residents are reminded that permits are required to install heating appliances of all types. We inspect fireplaces, oil burners, gas appliances and woodstoves in all new construction and existing homes. We will also perform home safety inspection upon request.



Permits for outside burning are required by State of N.H. R.S.A. In summary you need a permit to burn outside unless the ground is snow covered. You may get a permit at the fire stations during normal business hours seven days per week.

PERSONNEL

Thousands of hours were spent training. All employees must continuously train to maintain proficient with their medical and firefighting skills. Our Training Officer conducts regularly scheduled training at each station and other monthly programs to assure emergency personnel are prepared for the emergency.

This past year several personnel became certified at various levels of firefighting ability. Others upgraded their hazardous materials training to the operational level requiring several hours of additional training.

Of the 13 full-time firefighters one recently resigned after three years with Goffstown to accept a position with the Concord Fire Department. Goffstown has enjoyed good employee longevity and maintains good employees keeping turnover to a minimum.

I want to thank all those employees that have given of themselves to save life and property in Goffstown. It is increasingly more difficult to sacrifice personnel and family needs in today's busy world. Being a member of the Fire Department is a commitment to the Town and emergency services. These dedicated individuals aren't simply attending scheduled meetings or doing things when it is convenient. They are rolling out of bed from a sound sleep to help someone in need. They may leave their son or daughters baseball game or find plans canceled because of an emergency call. They make it work but not without sacrifice and determination. For this, as Fire chief, I am grateful!

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Hunter, *Fire Chief*

Number of Calls By Type

Fire/Explosion	1	Emergency Medical	905
Structure	40	Hazardous Condition	64
Outside Structure	4	Service Calls	146
Vehicle	17	Good Intent Calls	126
Trees, Grass & Brush	14	Bomb Scare	1
Refuse	2	False Calls	204
Not Classified	3		
Overpressure	2	TOTAL:	1,526



TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

There are 2200 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. Our network of fire towers and detection patrols accurately reported to the local fire department for their prompt and effective suppression efforts. Wildland fires occurring in areas where homes are situated in the woodlands are a serious concern. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers. Please contact the Forest Protection Bureau to request a brochure to assist you in assessing fire safety around your home and woodlands.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing **ALL** outside burning. Fire permits are required for any open burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow where the burning will be done. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. Forest Rangers have investigated numerous complaints regarding violations of the timber harvest and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217, or for general information visit our website at www.dred.state.nh.us.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. Due to permitting and fire safety concerns, please contact you local fire department **BEFORE** using portable outdoor fire places and vessels, including those constructed of clay, concrete or wire mesh.

Please contact your local fire department before doing **ANY** outside burning.

2000 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru November 10, 2000)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

	Numbers	Acres
Hillsborough	118	40
Rockingham	49	24
Merrimack	92	16
Belknap	54	13
Cheshire	41	20
Strafford	58	13
Carroll	46	10
Grafton	16	7
Sullivan	12	2
Coos	30	4

Debris Burning	263
Miscellaneous *	151
Smoking	30
Children	17
Campfire	16
Arson/Suspicious	14
Equipment Use	9
Lightning	9
Railroad	7

* Miscellaneous (powerlines, fireworks, structures, OHRV, unknown)

TOTAL FOR 2000	516	149
" " 1999	1301	452
" " 1998	798	443

PARKS & RECREATION



*Seated L-R: Claude LaRoche, Sue Tucker (Chair), Dave French (Dir.).
Standing L-R: Mike McKinnon, Phil Tatro, Bruce Hunter (Sel. Rep.), Richard Fletcher
(Budget Rep.), Bob Draper, Lionel Cullerot. Missing: Paul Smith (Vice-Chr.).*

As the year 2000 comes to a close the Parks & Recreation Department wishes to express our appreciation to the Goffstown community for its continued support.

The year 2000 brought a new face to the department. Samantha Sula was hired in August as our new Program Supervisor. She is involved in many of our youth programs and special events. She will also be in charge of our summer playground and aquatic program.

The Recreation Center continues to see tremendous usage. We brought back our "Specials Night" movie at the Recreation Center. We hope to continue that next year. Also, our Open Gym program at the Recreation Center during vacation periods and at Mountain View Middle School during the late fall have continued to be popular. We also added a 5th & 6th grade girls basketball travel team this year. We also completed the Church St. Park which we hope will continue to add to the beautification of the town.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Parks & Recreation Commission for their continued support, encouragement, and dedication to the department. I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their continued support as well as to Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux and the Town Hall staff for their cooperation. My appreciation to the Department of Public Works, Police, Fire, Water and Library Departments and the department heads for their support, and cooperation this year.

I would also like to recognize several organizations for their efforts on behalf of the department. Odd-Fellows, Lions Club, Tae Kwon Doe Karate, Tri-Town Soccer, Goffstown Junior Baseball, Mt. Uncanoonuc Mountaineers Snow-mobile Club.

Thank-you to the Budget Committee, C.I.P. Committee, and Planning Board for their support. Also, I would like to express our appreciation to School Superintendent Dr. Darrell Lockwood, Goffstown School Board, school principals and support staffs for all of their cooperation this year.

My appreciation to Groundskeeper Brad Parkhurst, the summer staff, and Kim McCann, David Turner, Rich French, Ken Perkins, Peter Daniels, and Heidi Leighton for all of their efforts.

Finally, to my family for their continued support. We again look forward to serving the people of Goffstown in the upcoming year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dave French, *Director*

PROGRAMS & PARTICIPATION LEVELS

PROGRAM	1998	1999	2000
Activity Period	115	105	90
Activity Period, Summer	65	57	60
Aerobics, Evening	75	48	56
Arts & Crafts	210	227	241
Awards Night (4 times/yr.)	815	841	1000
Ballet (3 times/wk.)	190	192	190
Ballet Recital	300	400	400
Basketball, Boys	292	307	292
Basketball, Boys Travel Team	24	24	24
Basketball, Girls	91	103	104
Basketball, Girls Travel Team	—	—	12
Basketball, Instructional	72	81	45
Basketball, Mens'	45	45	40
Basketball, Mens' 30 & up	65	68	80
Basketball, Summer	32	31	18
Cheerleading	70	71	70
Christmas in August	85	42	65
Clown Day	75	72	56
Concert in the Park	260	275	290
Concert on the Common	—	—	105
Cookout Program	195	115	65
Easter in July	150	171	182
Family Skating Nights	200	205	225
Field Trips	210	210	210
Fishing Day	40	42	38
Field Day at Barnard Park	150	160	140
Field Day at Roy Park	150	150	130
Foul Shooting Contest	148	119	122
Goffstown Gallop	238	237	239
Great Pumpkin Hunt	200	225	225
Gymnastics	155	150	155
Halloween in July	94	106	98
Halloween Night Costume Contest	—	—	25
Hiking, Fall	12	—	—
International Day	—	41	52
Jazz Dancing	18	6	20
Karate	70	98	98
Mystery Trip	40	40	40
Open Gym	85	98	115
Photography Classes	—	6	—

PROGRAM	1998	1999	2000
Pickle Ball Tourney	60	52	50
Scavenger Hunts	—	116	92
Senior Citizen Day	100	110	110
Senior Citizen Trip	80	80	80
Soccer, Jr.	152	146	80
Softball, Girls (Majors)	98	111	108
Softball, Girls (Minors)	158	170	170
Softball, Girls Instructional	75	82	80
Softball, Summer	185	189	191
Special Events, Summer	367	365	270
Specials Night Movie	—	—	40
Summer Youth Track	148	172	156
Swimming Lessons	628	597	538
Tennis Tournament	12	15	24
Tennis, Youth	108	125	136
Tie Dye Shirt Day	—	68	70
Track & Field, Hershey	38	39	40
UNH Red Wagon	—	185	190
Volleyball, Adult	58	62	67
Volleyball, Youth	—	—	35
TOTAL	7,822	8,153	7,970

FACILITIES

RECREATION CENTER

Groups using French Community Room: Karate, Gymnastics, Ballet, Jazz Dancing, Tap Dancing, Girls Basketball, Cheerleading, summer programs, special events, Youth Sports registration, G.Y.F.A., Library Ski & Skate Sale, Health Fair.

Groups using the Commissioners' Meeting Room: Mt. Uncanoonuc Mountaineer Snowmobile Club, Goffstown Junior Baseball, Goffstown Babe Ruth Baseball, Goffstown Youth Football Association, Cub Scout Pack 283, Voter Coalition.

Skating Rink and Picnic Area

BARNARD PARK

John Brown Track & Field
Tennis Courts (4)
Stark Memorial Swimming Pool
Playground Area
Basketball Courts
Outdoor Volleyball Area
Barnard Pool

ROY PARK

Tennis Courts (3)
Softball/Baseball Field
Basketball Court
Playground Area
Roy Memorial Swimming Pool

		1998	1999	2000
Pool Attendance:	Barnard Pool	11,018	11,458	10,015
	Roy Pool	7,480	7,554	5,947
	Total	18,498	19,012	15,962

SKATEBOARD PARK

Located on Church Street; open dawn to dusk for skateboarders.

CHURCH ST. PARK

Located on Church St.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



Seated L-R: Susan Tucker; Linda Pierce (Secretary), Jan Falcone, Barbara Griffin (Sel. Rep.), Timothy Hanson. Standing L-R: Jean Walker; Karen McRae, Evelyn Miller. Missing: Collis Adams, Charles Freiburger, William Scimone.

The Conservation Commission has had an active year. The Commission continues to review wetland issues on subdivision plans for the Planning Board. The CIP survey project is continuing on Uncanoonuc Mountain. Some permanent markers have been set and we are looking forward to finalizing the rest of the property lines. In addition, we are working on developing a forest management plan for South Uncanoonuc Mountain. The plan will include improvements to the Mt. Base Beach, trail head parking, and the creation of scenic vistas on the mountain. To further enhance the mountain, an Eagle Scout project was started last year to replace the bridge at the beginning of Incline Trail and clear the trail. The project was finished during the year and Charles Nawoj received his Eagle Scout award near the end of 2000.

This year the town went forward with a proposal for improvements to the Glen Lake Beach area. A sub-committee of the Conservation Commission developed a plan for controlled boat access that will also reduce beach front erosion. The plan received the support of the town and will be implemented in 2001. Costs for the project will be paid by a State grant and in-kind donations, resulting in no cost to the Goffstown taxpayer.

Barbara Griffin is our representative from the Board of Selectmen. Our meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at Town Hall unless otherwise posted. Please feel free to attend these meetings and become involved in your community.

Respectfully submitted,
*Conservation Commission
 Members*

PISCATAQUOG RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRLAC)

In 1988, the N.H. General Court passed the Rivers Management and Protection Act. This was in recognition of the value of these natural resources and that the protection of these shorelands was essential to maintain the integrity of the public waters. The Rivers Management and Protection Program is implemented by RSA 483 that allows any New Hampshire organization, or resident, to nominate a river for protection. In 1993, the Piscataquog Watershed Association (PWA) submitted the required nomination papers to the state that resulted in the incorporation of the upper, middle and lower branches of the Piscataquog River into the program.

RSA 483 also calls for the appointment of a local river management advisory committee for each designated river. Members are nominated by the local governing bodies and approved by DES. Each municipality along the designated river must have at least one member on the committee. We need new members from Goffstown. The only Goffstown member now is Charles Freiburger. In addition to Goffstown, the communities that make up the PRLAC are Deering, Frankestown, Lyndeborough, Manchester, New Boston, and Weare. The local advisory committees are to have at least seven members who represent a broad range of interests in the vicinity of the designated river.

The four major duties outlined in RSA 483 are: to advise DES and the municipalities, through which the river flows, on matters pertaining to the management of the river; to comment on any project that would alter the resource values and characteristics of the river; to develop and assist in the adoption of a local river corridor management plan; and to report annually to the state advisory committee and DES.

River corridor management plans must at least address the following: permitted recreational uses and activities; permitted non-recreational uses and activities; existing land uses and activities; protection of flood plains, wetlands, wildlife, fish habitat and other significant open space and natural areas; dams, bridges, and other water structures; access by foot and vehicles; setbacks and other location requirements; dredging, filling, mining and earth moving; and prohibited uses.

A draft plan was published during the summer of 1999 and presented to the communities in the PRLAC as well as the PWA. A final document was published in September 1999 and is being, or has been presented to the Planning Board in each of the affected communities. In the case of Goffstown, the plan was presented at a special meeting of the Planning Board in May 2000 and will be included as part of the Master Plan.

The major ongoing activity for the PRLAC is the implementation of the recommendations in the plan. Many of these recommendations involve public awareness and education ideas and we have begun to work with the PWA in these implementation areas. Anyone interested in promoting the welfare of the river should contact the Planning Board Office at Town Hall. The PLAC meets the first Thursday of each month in the Weare Public Library (except July & August).

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Freiburger
PRLAC Member

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

General Assistance is financial assistance provided by the town on a short term basis to eligible households. Assistance with basic necessities such as food, shelter, utilities, medical or employment related expenses is issued through a voucher system. Eligibility is based on both financial and non-financial factors. General Assistance Guidelines are reviewed and updated annually.

The town is fortunate to have so many active community organizations which assist households in times of need. Food programs provided by Goffstown Network Food Pantry, Goffstown Salvation Army, Southern N.H. Services, St. Joseph Community Center, and Food Stamps contributed to a low food expenditure by the town. Clothing, household items and toys for children were provided by the Clothes Vestree, the Goffstown Salvation Army, and Toys for Tots while transportation was provided by the Goffstown Outreach Program. Fuel Assistance was available through Southern N.H. Services, Neighbor Helping Neighbor Program, Goffstown Salvation Army, and the Clergy Association. The New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority and Greater Manchester Housing Authority provided housing assistance. The Manchester Community Health Center, Child Health Services, and Optima Health provided health services to uninsured and underinsured residents. The Lions Club assisted needy residents with eyeglasses and other medical needs. St. Matthew's Outreach Program and area churches continue to assist residents with a variety of financial needs.

During 2000 the Town of Goffstown assisted 20 households and expended approximately \$9,994 (unaudited). This was a decrease of 27 households from 1999. In part, the decrease in the number of families receiving assistance can be attributed to our strong economy. In 2000 Goffstown was reimbursed approximately \$5,683 by program recipients.

A sincere thank you to all the individuals and organizations who assist residents in need. Goffstown is truly a community of caring!

Respectfully submitted,
Janice O'Connell
Welfare/Support Services Administrator

DIRECT ASSISTANCE	1998	1999	2000
Employment Related	1,820	1,153	99
Food	415	204	206
Fuel	2,440	4,236	997
Medical	1,867	1,112	523
Rent	18,572	22,715	7,169
Funeral	0	500	1,000
TOTAL	\$25,114	\$29,920	\$9,994
REIMBURSEMENTS	\$15,925	\$8,083	\$5,683

PUBLIC LIBRARY



Seated L-R: Mark Choquette, Theresa Pare, Kenneth Rose. Standing L-R: Barbara Thotherow, Dianne Hathaway (Library Director), Carolyn Benthien (Chair), Russ Vanderhorst. Missing: Barbara Griffin (Vice-Chair & Sel. Rep.).

It has been my pleasure to serve the community of Goffstown as Library Director for the second year. In 2000 we focused on growth, both of our staff and in the service we provide to the public. Our addition of an assistant director has helped to maintain our commitment to staff training and our provision of quality customer service.

The Library Board of Trustees focused on long-range planning and a commitment to pursue avenues of funding other than through the municipality.

Circulation: The circulation of our library materials continues to grow with the relaxation of our policies, an increase in our patron base, and the steady influx of new materials. Overall the circulation of materials increased by 11% over 1999 with the highest areas of demand in children's materials and books-on-tape. Circulation through our Common Borrower Card service increased by 77% for Goffstown patrons who went to other libraries and 101% for other patron's who visited the Goffstown Public Library.

Programming: This service area shows tremendous growth in 2000 with an increase on 17% in the number of programs provided to the public and a 100% increase in program attendance by adults and children alike. Programming is the most labor intensive service we offer but the results and support from the public have been tremendous and well worth the effort. Our commitment to increase our cooperative programs with other departments and groups was successful last year as we joined forces with the Parks and Recreation Department, American Red Cross, Mountain View Middle School, the Main Street Program, and others.

Web Presence: The home page for the Goffstown Public Library at www.goffstown.lib.nh.us has given us another point of service to our community that has expanded over the last year. Not only can you email us but you can also use a version of our automated card catalog to reserve and renew items as well as being able to tell if we own the latest John Grisham book. New on our page is the ability to link to subscription databases from home including ProQuest, Grolier Online (coming soon), SIRS, and NoveList. Our monthly calendar and information about our programming are also available through our home page.

Outreach Service: In 1999 we kicked off our new outreach service, providing library materials to three area elderly homes and their residents. In early 2001 this service will expand to the state women's prison on Mast Road. A variety of books, large print and regular, as well as books on tape are provided on a rotating basis to these facilities for the enjoyment of the residents who cannot visit us in person.

Long-range Planning: A committee comprised of library trustees, staff, Friends, and community members have begun meeting to expand and strengthen the long-range planning process begun by the Trustees in 1999. This plan will focus on the next three to five years in the areas of funding, staffing, facility, and parking, among others.

Goffstown Public Library Endowment Fund: The Board of Trustees is in the process of forming this permanent endowment fund with the Manchester Regional Community Foundation (a Regional Division of the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation) to attract and provide additional monies for the library outside the town budget.

In 2001 we will continue our commitment to provide the best library service possible to the community through our materials selection and quality programming. Challenges we will pursue include staffing issues involving hiring, retention and competitive wages and facility projects involving landscaping and parking.

Many thanks to the citizens who daily support our mission by attending our excellent programming, borrowing our collections of books, audio, and more, and by expressing their pleasure in our strengthened service to the public. Thanks also to the Library Board of Trustees as they firmly steer the library in its mission and the Friends of the Library for continuing to advocate the Library through their funding of the Museum Pass Program.

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne G. Hathaway, *Director*

**GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES
JANUARY 1, 2000 – DECEMBER 31, 2000**

REVENUE

Grants	\$100.00
Gifts/Donations	510.00
Programs – Literacy	0
Fines	3,961.89
Books	0
Fundraising	988.53
Interest	224.96
Dividends	7,335.33
Miscellaneous	200.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$13,320.71

EXPENSES

Programs	\$250.00
Automation	0
Books	0
Periodicals	3,204.82
Fundraising	0
Miscellaneous	55.00

TOTAL EXPENSES **\$3,509.82**

NET PROFIT (LOSS) **\$9,810.89**

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

HERITAGE COMMISSION



L-R Seated: Barbara Mace (Sec/Treasurer), Eleanor Porritt (Vice Chair), Elizabeth Merrill, Roberta Perkins. Standing: Philip D'Avanza (Chair), Robert Gagnon. Missing: Terri August (Alt.), Doug Gove, Rodney Stark (Alt.), Annie Vincent (Alt.), Dave White (Alt.), Vacant (Alt.).

The Goffstown Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission have a lot to report about the activities of the year 2000. Most noteworthy is the progress that was made on the restoration effort at the Grasmere Town Hall.

Our patience and perseverance paid-off and we are proud to report that the ceiling on the second floor auditorium was replaced and re-stenciled in December. Our thanks and appreciation goes to Charles Carr for re-stenciling the ceiling. It looks wonderful!

While you can certainly look-up at the ceiling and admire its beauty now, it's what lies behind and above the new plaster that represents the lions share of what was done at the Grasmere Town Hall this past year. In addition to the removal and replacement of the old ceiling, electrical wiring, carpentry, insulation, heating and duct work, a fire sprinkler plan and rough piping are all nestled above in areas that are not readily visible or easily appreciated. Thank you to all the successful bidders and contractors on this job - Granite State Plumbing & Heating, Target N.E. and J. Carter Sprinkler - as busy as you all were, you were able to see the importance of getting this job done right and on-time. Take pride in knowing that you have also made a contribution to this worthwhile project!

Prior to the commencement of work, HDC members and other volunteers spent many hours relocating the contents of the building. There was quite an accumulation of materials that needed sorting. Special thanks goes to Municipal Custodian Marc Tessier, and Lori Benjamin, Joann Olson and the volunteers from Merri-Loo Preschool for their help with all those chairs! In addition, we want to also thank the Transfer Station Supervisor Russ Lauriat and Police Chief Mike French for offering us the space we needed to store the building's contents.

Working behind the scenes and making sure the project kept moving was Phil D'Avanza. Acting as our project administrator, Phil made the contacts, coordinated work schedules and enlisted the help of qualified people to get the job done by the deadline. When the job needed another set of hands, Phil rolled-up his sleeves and jumped right in. We appreciate the days and nights he devoted to this phase of the project.

Our thanks and appreciation is also extended to Bob Gagnon for finishing the carpentry and touch-up painting on the first floor, as well as Lionel Coulon, Tom Martin and Carlos Ryan, all members of the Knights of Columbus, for their help with the electrical phase of this project. To the staff and parents of Merri-Loo preschoolers, thank you for your patience and understanding. We know it wasn't easy to conduct business while renovations were taking place. We apologize for the inconveniences.

The commission extends gratitude to Fire Chief Ed Hunter and Lt. Bill Connor for their assistance with the development of the RFP's, inspections, and Building Inspector Ed Neveu for his input and subsequent inspections. We would like to extend a thank you to DPW Director Carl Quiram for providing us with a dumpster and help in disposing of the debris generated by the renovation project.

The HDC would also like to thank Commission member Doug Gove for donating half of his book profits to the Heritage Fund. Doug has been a member of the commission since its inception in 1984. The commission was also lucky enough to have the support of our local area businesses. These establishments provided the space and opportunity for us to sell Doug's books and our medallions. These items are readily available at the following locations: Bank of N.H., Citizens Bank, Goffstown Hardware, Howe's Pharmacy, Jo Marie's Country Store, Main Street Office, Goffstown Library, and the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall. Thank you all for your support.

The only non-cooperative agent we found in the year 2000 was our booming economy. Our initial attempt at bidding the renovation project resulted in a price tag that was too high for this year's pocketbook. So it was back to the drawing board. We were granted permission by the N.H. Division of Historical Resources to modify our original scope of work which allowed the project some forward motion.

While the commission continues to work hard on various fundraising endeavors, there is no doubt that the grants we receive and the donations that are made to this cause have proven to be the greatest source of money used to match the town's appropriations. The following list represents the matching monies that were used to make this project a reality:

- \$15,000 grant from the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources (awarded)
- \$8,500 grant (supplemental/pending award) from the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources
- \$7,640 Energy Grant from the Governor's Office on Energy (awarded)
- \$6,483 from the Grasmere Town Hall Retoration Fund held in trust by the Trustees of Trust Funds (requested)
- \$2,500 from Public Service of New Hampshire (awarded & received)

If not for the efforts of Support Services Administrator Janice O'Connell, we might not have obtained several of these grants. Thank you Janice and the Board of Selectmen for allowing and encouraging the use of her time in writing and overseeing these grants.

The commission would like to hold an open house so we can showcase the work that has been completed on the first and second floor. At the same time the townspeople and others can see and learn about the work that remains to be done on one of Goffstown's architectural and historic treasures. But for now, we are poised to put the finishing touches on what we started this past year and look forward to a new roof in 2001, if the budget passes town muster.

The Historic District Commission members take seriously the responsibilities of their positions. The commission members are often required to provide service that is above and beyond the call of duty. During the past year many trips were made to assorted locations in order to promote the mission of the HDC. This year there was a request from the Goffstown Historical Society, in the Parker Station District, for a certificate of appropriateness for a building addition to the museum building. Granting of the certificate awaits a refinement of architectural drawings. The duties of the HDC include the oversight of three historic districts: Carr Court, Grasmere, Parker Station.

Again, thanks to all the businesses, organizations and individuals who have provided the commission with financial and moral support in the year 2000. And of course, we are especially grateful to the citizens and taxpayers who are also supporting the project with each passing budget. Without this support, little could be accomplished.

The commission continues to meet on the first Wednesday of every month at the Grasmere Town Hall. Meetings are open to all interested citizens and input is welcomed!

Respectfully Submitted,
*Historic District Commission/
Heritage Commission Members*



Ceiling restoration at the Grasmere Town Hall.

CABLE FRANCHISE RENEWAL COMMITTEE

Cable Franchise Renewal proceedings are governed by Federal law and provide the existing cable franchisee with the opportunity to seek renewal of its franchise prior to expiration of the existing contract in December 3, 2000. That contract has been extended by six months (to June 3, 2001) in order to accommodate this process and allow the Committee to complete its work. The Committee has conducted a number of public hearings in order to provide a complete assessment of the Town's needs for cable communication services and its satisfaction with MediaOne (now, AT&T) as a service provider. The Committee and MediaOne have identified a number of issues, concerns and opportunities that remain to be resolved before the Committee can make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen for the renewal or non-renewal of MediaOne's contract. This process should be completed before expiration of the contract's now extended term. For more information or to participate in the work of the Committee, please contact Town Hall or any Committee Member (Jim Cook, Sue Desruisseaux, Rick Gamache, Tony Marts, Gossett McRae, or Suzanne Tremblay).

Respectfully submitted,
Anthony Marts, *Chairman*

CABLE TELEVISION

COMMUNITY ACCESS COMMITTEE

Goffstown Community Television (Channel 16) has been increasing in quantity and quality over the past year. The amount and variety of shows produced by the public, and high school students, have shown that more people are interested in producing. Along with that is the fact that these same people also learn to edit and do camera work as well.

We have had shows like Marie Boyle's "What's Happening in Goffstown" which is on its third year of airing almost every week since she started in May of 1998. "Positive Spin" hosted by Tim Hogan, "Thinking With Spirit" hosted by Erika Duffy, "Memory Bank" and "A Moment in Time" by Doug Dove have also continued providing interesting and informative shows. The sports scene has continued to see an increase in programming. This past fall we were provided with tapes of the Field Hockey home games taped by volunteer Rene Cote who has also provided some of the Girls Varsity basketball home games. With the start of Varsity hockey at the High School we are now able to watch the home games due to the teaming of high school students and adult volunteers. The future looks good for sports on GTV16 with this year's addition of Wrestling and next year Football. We are always looking for interested residents who want to learn what it takes to produce a video show and are there to help you along the way. The hours of the studio have remained Monday to Thursday from 7 to 10 p.m. Special times and dates can also be arranged with the coordinator.



*L-R Front Row: Rosemary Garretson, Marie Boyle, Janice O'Connell (Government Advisor).
L-R Back Row: Donald Gagnon (Vice Chair), Dick Gagnon (PEG Coordinator & School Rep.)
James Fadden, Craig Battey, Patrick Tucker. Missing: James Pingree (Chair), Paul Volckmann
(Alt.), Vacant (Alt.).*

Video production is now offered at the High School level as a directed study. This has allowed for the student population to have access and help in creating videos of interest to them. We have seen trick bike riding, skateboarding, snowboarding, interviews, movie reviews, fashion shows and even a cooking show. All of the school assemblies have been recorded and aired for public viewing. It seems that more kids are finding out that there is a television studio in the high school and using it to even replace having to do book reports. Some students in Mass Media, Social Studies and English have chosen to do videos instead of book reports. Other groups have come to the studio to work on short promotional tapes such as SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco) and the NHS (National Honor Society) and their Valentine Day Serenades.

Besides the public and educational portion of GTV16 we have had many hours of public meetings in the form of Selectmen, Budget Committee, Planning Board, School Board, School Building Committee, and others along the way. A particular thanks goes out to volunteers Rosemary Garretson, Andrea Card, and Craig Battey for their efforts in helping out in the maintenance of the Bulletin Board and scheduling. As for the upcoming year we are all looking forward to moving towards more digital equipment and some upgrading of our transmission quality.

If you want to know what is going on in Goffstown you just have to change the channel to GTV16. We can be reached by calling us at 497-5707, emailing us at gtv16@goffstown.k12.nh.us, or by mailing us at GTV16, c/o GAHS, 27 Wallace Road, Goffstown, NH 03045.

Respectfully submitted,
Dick Gagnon
Public Assess Coordinator

GOFFSTOWN SEWER COMMISSION

Two projects were awarded to Eastern Pipe Services, Inc. for pipe relining and manhole rehabilitation. Several areas in the Village and in Pinardville were targeted. Using the Department of Public Works "Priority Listing" as a guideline, this type and scope of maintenance will continue for several more years.

A warrant article to bring municipal sewer to the area known as Knollcrest will be presented to the voters this coming March 2001. Approximately fifty properties will be affected. Funding for this project will be through a bond issuance, State Grant monies, an accessibility fee to those property owners directly affected, and a user fee. Bond issuances for municipal wastewater projects, along with the daily operation and maintenance expenses for the system, are paid exclusively by the users of the system through a quarterly user fee charge.

A new software program for utility billing was installed. Along with program enhancements the most visible is the new bills. The bills are easier to read and a self-addressed return envelope has been included for the convenience of the users.

The Sewer Commission was created in 1956 and is comprised of a three member elected board whose function is to administer and maintain the municipal wastewater system. Public meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Town Hall. Individuals requesting to be on the agenda should contact the Sewer Commission's office at (603) 497-8992 to schedule an appointment.

Sincerely,
Stephen R. Crean, *Chairman*
James Bouchard
Paul LaPerle



L-R: Administrative Assistant Marilyn Hozeny, James Bouchard, Stephen Crean (Chair), and Paul LaPerle. Missing: Bruce Hunter (Sel. Rep.).

GOFFSTOWN SEWER COMMISSION
DETAILED BUDGET (unaudited)

ADMINISTRATION	2000 BUDGET	2000 ACTUAL	2001 BUDGET
SALARIES / BENEFITS	\$ 49,774	\$48,479	\$ 52,354
TRAINING/CONSULTING	1,000	1,000	1,000
AUDITING SVCS.	2,300	2,000	2,000
LEGAL	10,000	550	10,000
CONTRACTED ADMIN. SVCS	8,530	2,201	3,490
INSURANCE	1,318	1,388	6,388
POSTAGE	3,500	3,227	3,600
SUPPLIES	3,137	1,301	1,316
COMPUTERS & REPAIRS	15,692	1,575	10,793
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	800	800	1,000
DEPRECIATION	242,000	242,000	0
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	12,000	387	22,000
INTEREST EXPENSE	226,838	226,831	234,646
BOND PRINCIPLE	0	0	415,000
SUBTOTAL	\$576,889	\$531,739	\$ 763,587
SEWER OPERATIONS			
CONTRACTED SVCS	35,000	21,187	35,000
SEWER PROJECT	20,000	12,827	20,000
MNTCE CHG./EQUIP	2,000	280	2,000
MNTCE SUPPLIES/EQUIP	205,000	194,430	205,000
MNTCE /LABOR (VAC)	55,000	54,409	5,000
SEWER OPERATION (O&M CHG.)	424,338	282,740	442,997
SUBTOTAL	\$741,338	\$565,873	\$ 709,997
SEWERAGE/PUMP STATION			
CONTRACTED SERVICES	4,500	3,633	4,500
SUPPLIES.....	10,000	14,307	10,000
ELECTRICITY.....	20,000	15,156	19,000
PROPANE GAS	0	2,039	2,100
WATER	500	311	500
TELEPHONE ALARM SYSTEM	2,800	2,346	2,800
CHEMICALS	500	354	500
DIESEL FUEL	4,000	296	4,000
PUMP REPAIRS	10,000	17,980	10,000
SUBTOTAL	\$52,300	\$56,423	\$ 53,400
TOTAL	\$1,370,527	\$1,154,035	\$1,526,984

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

The year 2000 included several system upgrades, one main break and seven service repairs. A portion of the system is over 100 years old and sections of pipe replacement are budgeted each year.

The major project last year was replacement of the water main to the Villa Augustina School. This was a joint venture between the school and the water precinct. It produced increased fire flows and quality of water along Mast Road from Park Lane to the Villa.

Main replacement in 2001 will include about 1100 feet along Depot Street and 1200 feet on No. Mast Street. There is an additional 1000 feet on No. Mast Street to be replaced on a shared cost basis with a developer.

Water quality and pressure remain high due to our recently completed filtration plant and injection equipment. We are currently working with a firm to improve treatment at our well facility.

Several new service requests are due this spring off No. Mast Street, New Boston Road and Shirley Hill Road. It appears it will be another busy year at the Precinct.

Respectfully submitted,
Allen D. Gamans, Jr., *Chairman*

2001 WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Goffstown Village Precinct qualified to vote on precinct affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Goffstown Town Hall in said Goffstown, in said Precinct, on Monday, March 19, 2001, at 7:00 PM in the evening to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I

To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year, including a Moderator and Clerk.

ARTICLE II

To elect one (1) member to the Board of Water Commissioners for a term of five (5) years.

ARTICLE III

To see if the Precinct will vote to accept the report of the Board of Water Commissioners to appropriate the sum of Five Hundred and Eighty-Eight Thousand, Three Hundred and One Dollars for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE IV

To see if the Precinct will vote to allow the Board of Water Commissioners the right to borrow in excess of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) due to any emergency that may arise.

ARTICLE V

To hear the reports of the various officers of the Precinct and to pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE VI

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 9th day of January 2001.

Raymond Taber, 2001
Richard Coughlin, 2003
Allen D. Gamans, 2005

Henry Boyle, 2002
Richard Fletcher, 2004

REVENUE
(UNAUDITED)

		2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget
3402	WATER CHARGES			
	Metered Water	\$303,000	\$278,781	\$300,000
	Flat Rate	112,000	114,619	105,000
	Hydrant Rental	46,035	46,035	46,785
	SUBTOTAL:	\$461,035	\$439,435	\$451,785
3409	OTHER CHARGES			
	Booster Station	5,000	4,571	5,000
	Thawing	0	165	0
	Forestry	0	0	20,000
	Hydrant Repairs	2,944	35	2,900
	New Services	5,000	500	6,000
	Turn On/Off	200	330	300
	Service Repair	2,000	2,593	2,000
	Meter Repair	0	20	0
	Ins. Refund	220	234	220
	Vehicle Sale	0	5,500	0
	Mt. Laural Billing	0	0	5,000
	Bond Int. ref.	1,000	1,261	0
	Pools	200	407	300
	Supplies	250	65	150
	SUBTOTAL:	\$16,814	\$15,681	\$41,870
3502	SAVINGS INTEREST	7,500	17,845	12,548
3351	SHARED REVENUE	33,044	33,044	32,098
	SUBTOTAL:	\$518,393	\$506,005	\$538,301
3913	Transfer Funds from Savings	30,000	9,905	50,000
3915	Capital Reserve Vehicle Fund	10,500	10,500	0
	TOTAL REVENUES:	\$558,893	\$526,410	\$588,301

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT EXPENDITURES (UNAUDITED)

		2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget
4130	EXECUTIVE			
	Salaries	\$88,000	\$82,981	\$90,000
	SUBTOTAL:	\$88,000	\$82,981	\$90,000
4150	FINANCIAL ADMIN.			
	Audit	1,150	1,100	1,200
	Business Supplies	1,500	1,622	1,500
	Office Equipment	1,536	1,451	1,000
	Personnel Supp.	640	673	640
	Safe Box	60	55	60
	SUBTOTAL:	\$4,886	\$4,901	\$4,400
4153	LEGAL	1,500	1,188	1,500
	SUBTOTAL:	\$1,500	\$1,188	\$1,500
4155	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION			
	FICA	6,732	6,348	6,885
	Health Ins.	23,285	22,517	30,000
	W/C Insurance	2,000	1,254	1,500
	Retirement Fund	3,300	2,685	3,000
	Unemployment Ins.	150	97	150
	SUBTOTAL:	\$35,467	\$32,901	\$41,535
4194	BUILDING MAINTENANCE			
	Office Repairs	1,000	39	1,000
	Filter Plant	0	0	0
	Well Buildings	0	0	0
	Tank	0	0	0
	SUBTOTAL:	\$1,000	\$39	\$1,000
4196	INSURANCE			
	Liability, Property	3,100	1,958	2,100
	Bond	0	100	200
	SUBTOTAL:	\$3,100	\$2,058	\$2,300
4197	ADVER/REG ASSNS.			
	Advertising	2,000	285	1,300
	Assns. Fees	0	520	250
	License Fees	0	400	250
	Meeting Exp.	0	179	200
	SUBTOTAL:	\$2,000	\$1,384	\$2,000
4199	OTHER GENERAL GOV'T.			
	Vehicle Expense	2,100	1,555	2,000
	Rent	6,000	6,000	6,000
	Telephone/Beeper	4,000	3,723	4,500
	Postage	2,000	2,200	2,200
	Computer Support	500	495	500
	SUBTOTAL:	\$14,600	\$13,973	\$15,200
4332	WATER SERVICES			
	Contract Labor	4,000	2,685	4,000
	Hydrant Repairs	3,000	0	3,000

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT EXPENDITURES

		2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget
	Dam Repairs	\$1,000	\$43	\$1,000
	Service Repairs	5,000	5,788	5,000
	Main Repairs	10,000	1,849	10,000
	Meter Repairs	200	0	200
	Pump Repairs	1,000	0	1,000
	Equipment Repairs	250	83	250
	Road Repairs	500	0	500
	Thawing	0	0	0
	SUBTOTAL:	\$24,950	\$10,438	\$24,950
4335	WATER TREATMENT			
	Chemical/Chlorine	7,050	4,818	7,000
	Electric/Filtration	15,000	11,983	10,500
	Heat/Filtration	1,600	1,872	1,800
	Glenview Expenses	4,000	3,086	3,850
	Electric Power/Wells	8,000	10,188	7,000
	Supplies	3,000	2,181	3,000
	Water Tests	2,500	1,451	2,500
	Engineering/Filtration	0	700	1,000
	New Services	2,000	125	2,000
	Forestry	0	7,220	8,000
	Mt. Laurel Est.	5,000	0	5,000
	Maple Ave. Eng.	0	0	0
	SUBTOTAL:	\$43,150	\$43,622	\$51,650
	Debt Service			
4711	#1 Bond - Principal	50,000	50,000	50,000
	#2 Bond - Principal	60,000	60,000	60,000
4721	#1 Bond - Interest	17,020	17,020	13,260
	#2 Bond - Interest	51,720	51,720	48,570
	SUBTOTAL:	\$178,740	\$178,740	\$171,830
	Capital Outlay			
4901	LAND & IMPROVEMENTS			
	Contingency Fund	10,000	6,877	10,000
	Capital Replacement	10,000	10,000	10,000
	Upgrading Mains/System	100,000	100,000	141,936
	New Vehicle	25,500	26,678	0
	SUBTOTAL:	\$145,500	\$143,555	\$161,936
4902	MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT			
	Household Meters	1,000	1,606	2,000
	New Equipment	4,000	2,521	3,000
	New Hydrants	10,000	5,753	10,000
	SUBTOTAL:	\$15,000	\$9,880	\$15,000
4915	TO CAP. RESERVE FUNDS			
	Escrow Acct.	0	750	5,000
	SUBTOTAL:	\$0	\$750	\$5,000
	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:	\$557,893	\$526,410	\$588,301

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

The year 2000 has been very uneventful. We have proceeded with very few problems. There have been only a few proposals for extensions of our lines or large connections to our existing lines.

One of the major connections to our lines is at the Manchester line on the Goffstown Back Road at the old WKBR towers. This should be done sometime in early 2001. The other major connection is in the proposal stage and should be ready sometime in 2001.

Your continued support of the officers who strive to make the precinct function and give all members of the precinct good service is greatly appreciated. Thank you one and all.

Theodore J. Rohr
Precinct Commission Chair

2001 WARRANT

To the customers of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct in the Town of Goffstown, in the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire; You are hereby notified to meet in the Grasmere Town Hall in the Village of Grasmere at 7:30 o'clock in the evening on Saturday, March 31, 2001. To act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1

To choose a commissioner for the years 2001, 2002 & 2003.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Precinct will vote to approve the budget as proposed by the Commissioners and approved by the Town Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 3

To hear the reports of the treasurer and clerk for the year 2000.

ARTICLE 4

To act upon any unfinished business from the previous meeting.

ARTICLE 5

To discuss and act upon any other business which may rightfully come before said meeting.

This is the Precinct's Annual Meeting and it is hoped that all residents of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct will attend and support the Precinct.

Given this SIXTEENTH day of January 2001, under our hands.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

Theodore Rohr, Chairman
Arthur W. Rose, Jr.
William Swanson

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

REVENUE

	2000 Budget	2000 Actual	2001 Budget
Water Rents	\$90,000	\$82,538	\$90,000
Hydrant Rentals	9,320	9,320	9,320
New Installations	5,000	10,035	3,000
Contract Medford Farms	4,800	2,400	4,800
Interest	80	46	80
Misc. Water Sales	300	100	300
Repair Private Line	0	421	0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$109,500	\$104,869	\$107,500

EXPENDITURES

Cost of Water	\$54,000	\$53,581	\$54,000
Salaries	5,000	4,800	6,900
Contract Labor	25,000	24,784	25,000
Maintenance Supplies	5,000	2,173	2,000
Office Supplies	2,000	623	500
Telephone & Electricity	3,000	2,752	3,000
Miscellaneous & Training	2,000	433	1,000
Trans. to Capital Fund	0	22,435	0
Snow Plowing	800	300	800
Meter & Water Testing	600	100	600
Auditing Books	500	0	750
Manchester Water Contract	10,000	10,000	10,000
Insurance	1,000	515	1,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$108,900	\$122,496	\$107,500

INCOME OVER(UNDER) EXPENSES	\$600	(\$17,636)	\$0
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BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash on hand (General Fund Check Book)	\$1,922.29
On Deposit NHDPIP	100,406.82
Total Cash Available	\$102,329.11

LIABILITIES

Bills Owed by Precinct	\$0.00
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2000 VITAL STATISTICS

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Jan. 02	Jason A. Byram	Goffstown	Concord
	Melanie A. Baines	Goffstown	
08	Arthur Karagiozis	Goffstown	Bedford
	Cathy J. LaFlamme	Goffstown	
08	Jeremy J. Roy	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Michele L. Beebe	Goffstown	
09	Daniel G. Marcoux	Manchester	Hudson
	Sarah E. Soucy	Goffstown	
15	Kevin P. Furlong	Goffstown	Gilmanton
	Donna M. Hyslop	Goffstown	
15	Robert E. Jones	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Margaret M. McAllister	Goffstown	
22	Raymond T. St. Onge	Goffstown	Manchester
	Kris J. Carette	Goffstown	
29	Jeffrey R. Abare	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Tamara-Jo MacQuestion	Goffstown	
Feb. 1	Patrick K. O'Connor	Goffstown	Bow
	Barbara L. Williams	Goffstown	
12	James A. Williamson	Dunbarton	Nashua
	Theresa A. Pockett	Goffstown	
14	Marc L. Goulet	Goffstown	Manchester
	Melissa S. Pellerin	Goffstown	
Mar. 08	Phillip P. Gailinas	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Victoria L. Gregory	Goffstown	
17	Mark A. Ricker	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Dixie L. Haggett	Goffstown	
18	Michael J. Carle	Goffstown	Hudson
	Holly M. Balboni	Goffstown	
25	Paul A. Papanikolaou	Goffstown	Manchester
	Ellen V. Angione	Goffstown	
Apr. 01	George F. Jones	Goffstown	Manchester
	Shannon M. Gage	Goffstown	
08	Joseph E. Talbot	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Janet M. Desjarlais	Goffstown	
08	Kevin T. Laroche	Goffstown	Manchester
	Heidi G. Sullivan	Manchester	
08	Joseph M. Puffer	Goffstown	Manchester
	Donna L. Gagne	Goffstown	
15	Andrew W. Sutherland	Goffstown	Bedford
	Melissa M. Damour	Goffstown	
15	Francis J. Buckley	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Teresa I. Banks	Goffstown	

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Apr. 22	Scott M. Mitoulas	Goffstown	Manchester
	Shannon M. McCarthy	Goffstown	
29	George M. Gagnon	Goffstown	Concord
	Nicki L. Greenwood	Goffstown	
May 06	Robert E. Dupont	Goffstown	Manchester
	Maggie E. Brooks	Goffstown	
12	David M. Banach	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Diana E. Bosworth	Bow	
13	Timothy A. Hanlon	Manchester	Londonderry
	Pauline Y. Carter	Goffstown	
20	Michael A. Hogan	Manchester	Goffstown
	Dianne A. Burton	Goffstown	
20	Paul C. Bowley	Goffstown	Henniker
	Lori A. Bowley	Goffstown	
20	Samuel E. Allan	Goffstown	Londonderry
	Amanda M. Joaquin	Goffstown	
20	Andrew E. Malone	Goffstown	Manchester
	Nora M. Madden	Manchester	
Jun. 03	Douglas S. Wood	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Stacey A. Cadran	Goffstown	
09	Donald J. Durand	Pelham	Bedford
	Margaret A. Parsons	Goffstown	
10	Eugene M. Santos	Goffstown	Franklin
	Shawna L. Lambert	Goffstown	
10	Benjamin J. McGuire	Goffstown	Rindge
	Shannon M. Thornton	Goffstown	
16	Kevin J. Labelle	Goffstown	Nashua
	Wendy A. Belanger	Nashua	
17	Glen T. Howard	Goffstown	Bedford
	Kelly A. St. Clair	Goffstown	
17	Craig Brown	Goffstown	Hillsboro
	Jodie M. Nickerson	Goffstown	
17	Jay C. Burnham	Plaistow	Manchester
	Stephanie L. Klaubert	Goffstown	
24	Michael J. Ettelson	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Michelle D. Hanson	Goffstown	
24	David J. Duperon	Goffstown	Manchester
	Jennifer L. Theriault	Goffstown	
24	Michael J. Sebastian	Goffstown	Manchester
	Suzanne H. McGuire	Goffstown	
Jul. 02	Thomas S. Heath	Newmarket	Derry
	Amy E. Glaude	Goffstown	
03	Scott E. Tessier	Goffstown	Hampton
	Katie J. Gervais	Goffstown	

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Jul. 04	Michael L. Morgan	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Donna-Rae Stratton	Goffstown	
08	KenNeth L. Fales	Goffstown	Manchester
	Christine C. Sanfilippo	Contoocook	
15	David M. Feren	Manchester	Manchester
	Kristen C. Miller	Goffstown	
22	Matthew A. Hanson	Goffstown	Dunbarton
	Kimberly A. Morrill	Goffstown	
22	Philip A. Veitch	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Juliette D. Dupuis	Goffstown	
28	Russell D. Anderson	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Melissa B. Averill	Goffstown	
28	Francis A. Martineau	Goffstown	Manchester
	Tammy M. St. John	Goffstown	
29	Timothy N. Palmer	Madison, WI	Manchester
	Liza J. Shippey	Goffstown	
Aug. 04	Peter L. Champagne	Goffstown	Moultonboro
	Jacqueline A. Bailey	Tamworth	
05	Paul A. Rousseau	Goffstown	Bedford
	Tracy S. Gallinas	Goffstown	
05	Chad E. Blake	Thornton	Goffstown
	Jacquelyn D. Henault	Goffstown	
05	Berthol D. Boucher	Goffstown	Manchester
	Lisa A. Whitmore	Manchester	
05	Ernest F. Graffam	Goffstown	Manchester
	Susan J. Basoukas	Goffstown	
05	Paul W. Lemay	Goffstown	Manchester
	Kathi A. Coburn	Hooksett	
13	Kerry J. Pomeroy	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Linda-Lane McDuffee	Goffstown	
19	Jason M. Houle	Goffstown	Manchester
	Robin A. Lavoie	Goffstown	
19	Joseph E. Wolczko	Goffstown	Rye
	Leah J. Mitchell	Goffstown	
20	Jeremy M. Fishel	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Tricia A. Czaja	Goffstown	
26	Rick K. Dorval	Goffstown	Dunbarton
	Kimberly E. Diamond	Goffstown	
26	David L. Bolduc	Goffstown	Londonderry
	Carla A. Cocchiaro	Goffstown	
26	Bryan M. Fournier	Goffstown	Manchester
	Jessica L. Prime	Goffstown	
27	Adam G. Gillan	Goffstown	Bedford
	Andrea J. Olynyk	Goffstown	

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Sept.	02 Jay J. Brunetti	Goffstown	Bedford
	Michele D. Haslett	Goffstown	
	02 Patrick J. Shea	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Sunniva M. Beetz	Goffstown	
	02 Fernand J. Pomerleau	Goffstown	Manchester
	Micheline D. Barriere	Goffstown	
	03 Jeffrey O'Connell	Bedford	Bedford
	Robin Hill-Casey	Goffstown	
	03 David J. Dubiel	Goffstown	Contoocook
	Janet A. Levenson	Goffstown	
	03 Michael A. Morabito	Goffstown	Manchester
	Cheryl A. Champagne	Goffstown	
	08 Robert V. Reynolds	Goffstown	Manchester
	Martha E. Young	Goffstown	
	08 Ryan J. Charette	Goffstown	Nashua
	Tracy L. Allard	Goffstown	
	09 Padraic F. Way	Goffstown	Enfield
	Jane E. Donovan	Goffstown	
	09 Aaron J. Henderson	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Karen L. Brown	Goffstown	
	09 Robert M. Scanzillo	Goffstown	Manchester
	Sherry L. Flanders	Weare	
	09 Michael J. Green	Goffstown	Raymond
	Heather R. Laurence	Goffstown	
	09 Francesco A. Rosati	Goffstown	Rochester
	Bonnie B. Abood	Goffstown	
	16 Brian K. Pinard	Goffstown	Manchester
	Becky L. Jones	Goffstown	
	20 Brian J. Rourke	Goffstown	Meredith
	Joanne L. Marchand	Goffstown	
	23 Dana U. Royal	Goffstown	Durham
	Tanya M. Witham	Goffstown	
	23 Joseph M. Beauchemin	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Melanie D. Morrison	Weare	
	23 Lionel J. Turcotte	Goffstown	Manchester
	Jane E. Stanton	Goffstown	
	30 Nikolaus R. Meyer	Manchester	Amherst
	Kristen A. Boklund	Goffstown	
	30 Jeffrey D. Earl	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Rachel S. Moore	Manchester	
Oct.	04 Christopher E. Descoteau	Goffstown	Manchester
	Melissa M. Charest	Goffstown	
	07 Roger J. St. Onge	Goffstown	Goffstown
	Debra J. Dugan	Goffstown	

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Oct. 07	Robert A. Arsenault Doris P. Adams	Haverhill, MA. Goffstown	Manchester
07	Leonard A. Deroche Suzanne J. McCabe	Goffstown Goffstown	Weare
08	Mark A. Dexter Jennifer J. Swanson	Goffstown Goffstown	Goffstown
14	Brian K. Dion Danielle R. Pelletier	Manchester Goffstown	Manchester
15	Jon D. Van Ham Sarah B. Andrews	Goffstown Goffstown	Meredith
21	Robert B. Flynn Louise M. Kelley	Goffstown Goffstown	Milford
28	Brian A. Salyards Jennifer A. Dion	Manchester Goffstown	Manchester
Nov. 04	Jody A. Banks Melanie A. Gooden	Goffstown Goffstown	Nashua
05	Robert G. Yianakopolos Suzanne E. Coulombe	Goffstown Goffstown	Manchester
11	Roger M. Gagne Betty A. Yianakopolos	Goffstown Goffstown	Manchester
Dec. 09	David J. Trnka Marie R. Fleming	Manchester Goffstown	Goffstown
09	Dennis W. Donahue Lisa A. Laflamme	Goffstown Goffstown	Hampton
17	Geoffrey T. Campbell Lisa Plantier	Goffstown Bedford	Goffstown
23	Timothy J. Houle Tara J. Duchesne	Goffstown Goffstown	Hampstead
24	Armand J. Gagnon Marcelle T. Montmarquet	Goffstown Goffstown	Goffstown
25	Andrew J. Walton Monica T. Pinard	Goffstown Goffstown	Allenstown
30	Brian W. Buzzell Teresa A. Nadeau	Goffstown Belchertown, MA.	Goffstown

TOTALS: 104

BIRTHS 2000

DATE	NAMES OF NEWBORN/NAME OF PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
Jan. 04	Troy Austin Meyer Raymond and Sherry Meyer	Manchester
07	Jessica Marie Edmonds James and Loretta Edmonds	Nashua
13	Sabrina Danielle Gagne Daniel and Maryse Gagne	Manchester
14	Elizabeth Lily-Ann Spain Stephen and Kelley Spain	Manchester

DATE	NAMES OF NEWBORN/NAME OF PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
Feb. 02	Meredith Anne Osburn Adam and Rebecca Osburn	Manchester
02	Jalen Olivia Beliveau Randy Beliveau and Gioia Feick-Beliveau	Manchester
03	Taylor Denise Urella Craig and Catherine Urella	Manchester
09	Autumn Elizabeth Moody John and Susan Moody	Manchester
14	Makayla Morgan Bolduc Gregory and Lorna Bolduc	Manchester
15	Tyler Michael Santoro Michael and Sara Santoro	Manchester
17	Maxwell James Lajeunesse James and Kathleen Lajeunesse	Manchester
24	Matthew Todd Lumsden Todd and Wanda Lumsden	Manchester
25	Abby Bingham Poisson Gerard and Amy Poisson	Manchester
28	Jake Timothy King Timothy and Monica King	Manchester
Mar. 01	Christopher Matthew Piekarski John and Virginia Piekarski	Manchester
08	Shannon Courtney Tiedemann David and Regina Tiedemann	Manchester
09	Kenady Rebeca Burke Anthony and Melinda Burke	Manchester
11	Amanda Donna Dovas George and Donna Dovas	Manchester
12	Monique Helene Sirois Paul and Cathy Sirois	Manchester
12	Lydia Joy Powell Michael and Michelle Powell	Manchester
15	Aidan Christopher Davis Christopher and Kimberly Davis	Derry
16	Richard Finnigan Grant Douglas and Debra Grant	Manchester
24	Colin Thomas Leighton Sean and Martha Leighton	Manchester
27	Coleman Daniel Handrahan Daniel and Michelle Handrahan	Manchester
Apr. 03	Jacob Michael Gately Michael and Sonja Gately	Manchester
03	Ashley Erica Lewis David and Sharon Lewis	Concord

DATE	NAMES OF NEWBORN/NAME OF PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
Apr. 04	Quinn Alexander Mattes Gregory and Beth Mattes	Manchester
04	Madhukar Dundapp Sodlapur Rajiv and Roopali Sodlapur	Manchester
04	Kaleigh Marie Miller Brian and Janet Miller	Manchester
06	Meagan Christine Venus Michael and Laura Venus	Manchester
10	Isabelle Rose Rivard Daniel and Johanna Rivard	Manchester
12	Gunnar Thomas Ouellette Eric and Lori Ouellette	Manchester
15	Quinn Marie Romein Peter and Melissa Romein	Concord
15	Reily Marie Walton Robert and Jennifer Walton	Manchester
24	Alison Jeanne Larochelle Roch and Debbie Larochelle	Manchester
25	Jeremiah Benjamin Cullen Douglas and Tracy Cullen	Manchester
27	Samuel Richard Desrosiers Michael and Melissa Desrosiers	Manchester
28	Connor Jacob Ouellette Ronald and Deborah Ouellette	Manchester
29	Sarah Catherine Gula Conley James and Catherine Conley	Manchester
May 04	Jack Howard Tobin Mark and Brenda Tobin	Manchester
05	Sara Claire Wood Patrick and Sherri Wood	Manchester
10	Thomas John Ferguson Edward and Allison Ferguson	Manchester
11	Benjamin Allan Cogswell John and Barbara Cogswell	Nashua
11	Caroline Elizabeth Prud'Homme Richard and Linda Prud'Homme	Manchester
25	Samuel Alexander Valas Raymond and Kristina Valas	Concord
25	Zoe Ellen Mailhot Scott and Deborah Mailhot	Manchester
26	Haley Margaret Dalphonse Brian and Cheryl Dalphonse	Manchester
29	Connor Andrew Chapdelaine Gary and Marcia Chapdelaine	Manchester

DATE	NAMES OF NEWBORN/NAME OF PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
Jun. 29	Benjamin David Marcotte Shane and Tammy Marcotte	Manchester
06	Carley Genna Gagnon Daniel and Tina Gagnon	Manchester
06	Thomas Michael Confalone Michael and Susan Confalone	Manchester
08	Olivia Carole Beliveau Dean and Kathleen Beliveau	Manchester
10	Ainsley Wynne Miles John and Laura Miles	Manchester
14	Alyssa Marie Gauvin Ernest and Karie Gauvin	Nashua
17	Ryan Paul Ulcickas Charles and Jennifer Ulcickas	Manchester
22	Taylor Kenneson Pratt David and Sheryl Pratt	Concord
27	Matthew Richard Bowler Richard and Billie Jo Bowler	Boston, MA
28	Krisztofer Hayes Lindh George and Zsuzsanna Lindh	Manchester
29	Keara Eileen Kendall Phillip and Kathleen Kendall	Manchester
30	Haydn Alexander Huard Alexander and Jennifer Huard	Nashua
Jul. 05	Jonathan Tyler Blanchard Michael and Carolyn Blanchard	Manchester
06	Brandon Donald St. Onge Raymond and Kris St. Onge	Manchester
08	Ceralene Jennifer Lizotte Jeffrey and Linda Lizotte	Manchester
09	Hope Elizabeth DeLorme Scott and Jennifer DeLorme	Manchester
11	Jacob Adam Kuchinski Kristopher and Judith Kuchinski	Manchester
16	Wayne Starr Lavigne Wayne and Bobbiejo Lavigne	Manchester
17	Abigail Marie Niedbala Gregory and Allison Niedbala	Manchester
21	Seth Andrew Mounce Dennis and Brittanie Mounce	Manchester
23	Alyssa Marie Allaire David and Lisa Allaire	Manchester
26	Bryce Kameron Fairhurst Aaron and Angel Fairhurst	Concord

DATE	NAMES OF NEWBORN/NAME OF PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
Jul. 28	Emma Jane Arsenault Daniel and Julie Arsenault	Dover
Aug. 01	Erika Jaye Stemska Robert and Lisa Stemska	Manchester
02	Catherine Arlene Tilton Robert and Crystal Tilton	Manchester
04	Isabelle Gail Grzesik Thaddeus and Wendy Grzesik	Manchester
12	Nathan Samuel Smith Gregory and Sylvie Smith	Manchester
13	Andrew Philip Reed David and Renee Reed	Manchester
13	Nicholas Christopher Starr Michael and Amy Starr	Manchester
15	John Paul Thomas Kissell John and Pauline Kissell	Manchester
17	Brianna Lynn Snook Michael and Gina Snook	Manchester
17	Kaitlyn Marie Savage Keith and Lisa Savage	Manchester
22	Annie Patricia Kew Ronald and Paula Kew	Manchester
26	Stephen Lee Duckett Daniel and Maria Duckett	Manchester
31	Zachary Michael Gaspie Torey and Chantal Gaspie	Manchester
Sept. 04	Katja Ulla Pfahnl Andreas and Brenda Pfahnl	Manchester
09	Trevor Alan Post Jeffrey and Christine Post	Nashua
11	Justice Freedom Mullaney Joseph and Karen Mullaney	Manchester
11	Kyle Charles Collins Sean and Sandra Collins	Manchester
13	Jarod Joseph Sangillo Scott and Deborah Sangillo	Manchester
14	Max Garrison Helser Todd and Barbara Helser	Manchester
14	Sydney Danielle Gagne Paul and Robin Gagne	Manchester
14	Joshua Timothy Hanlon Timothy and Pauline Hanlon	Manchester
15	Kaitlyn Marie Pooler Bruce and Lynne Pooler	Manchester
20	Mitchell Reed Robert Paul and Cheri Robert	Manchester

DATE	NAMES OF NEWBORN/NAME OF PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
Sept. 27	Jared Joseph Heidenreich Scott and Gena Heidenreich	Manchester
29	Rachel Margaret Desrochers Daniel and Kathryn Desrochers	Manchester
Oct. 02	Justin Scott Kaminski Scott and Jennifer Kaminski	Manchester
03	Sebastian Keith Rae Lebel Scott Lebel and Tiffany Rogers	Manchester
03	Jacinta Elizabeth P. St. Pierre David and Kathryn St. Pierre	Manchester
09	Keara Grace Bouvier Matthew and Michelle Bouvier	Methuen, MA.
09	Madison Rose Lemon Robert and Stephanie Lemon	Manchester
10	Charles Michael Keith Charles and Adriana Keith	Manchester
10	Evan Patrick Cuddy Sean and Valerie Cuddy	Methuen, MA.
11	Molly Katherine Carlson Andrew and Kathy Carlson	Manchester
16	Michaela Reilly Hoffman Michael and Linda Hoffman	Manchester
17	Catherine Kelley McCarthy Eugene and Gail McCarthy	Manchester
18	Christina Lisa Gunski Michael and Lisa Gunski	Manchester
19	Madison Nicole Harrington James and Luella Harrington	Concord
22	Benjamin Michael Dionne Steven and Nancy Dionne	Manchester
23	Josephine Eden Zelensky Jon and Jeanne Zelinsky	Portland, ME.
28	Carey Lee Foss John and Sara Foss	Manchester
Nov. 02	Connor John Fitzpatrick Richard and Lynn Fitzpatrick	Manchester
08	Emily Marie Lavalley Dean and Anne Lavalley	Manchester
10	Niklas Manfred Nordstrom Gerald and Susanne Nordstrom	Manchester
12	Jarren Thomas Fox Trevor and Sheryl Fox	Manchester
15	Brianna Rose Tupper Donald and Michelle Tupper	Nashua
17	Miah Jean Munro David and Christine Munro	Manchester

DATE	NAMES OF NEWBORN/NAME OF PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
Nov. 17	Serena Elizabeth Munro David and Christine Munro	Manchester
17	Thomas Keith Donahue Frederick and Tracy Donahue	Derry
26	Adrienne Elizabeth Losee John Losee and Lucy Noepel-Losee	Manchester
Dec. 08	David Michael Gibson Dean and Theresa Gibson	Manchester
12	Maxwell Michael Paradise Michael and Stacy Paradise	Nashua
14	Tanner Jesse Fontaine Dany and Erin Fontaine	Manchester
16	Phillip Taras Palchevsky Taras and Lilly Palchevsky	Manchester
29	Emilleo Steve Barriere Steve and Seana Barriere	Manchester
30	Izaak Jamal Santiago Antonio and Lis Santiago	Manchester
30	Nicole Maria Papanikolaou Paul and Ellen Angione-Papanikolaou	Manchester

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DEATHS 2000

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF DEATH
Jan. 02	Miriam G. Osborne	Manchester
08	Nackey Loeb	Goffstown
10	Elsear L. Levesque	Goffstown
12	Marguerite M. Christie	Bedford
14	Clesson W. Leach	Manchester
16	Dorilla LeBlanc	Bedford
16	Nicholas J. Sheuchenko	Goffstown
19	George P. Harradon	Goffstown
26	Irene B. Avila	Manchester
30	David A. Renshaw	Goffstown
Feb. 04	Lester E. Wade	Goffstown
05	Clarence M. Normand	Goffstown
05	Adriana B. Dodge	Hillsboro
06	Roger G. Allard	Manchester
08	David E. Holiday	Manchester
10	Napoleon D. Hebert	Manchester
11	Lloyd Cushing	Bedford
11	Robert A. Guimont	Goffstown
14	Joseph A. Bushey	Bedford
18	Robert M. Hannemann	Goffstown
18	John W. Knipe	Manchester

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF DEATH
Feb. 18	Lucille Roy	Manchester
18	Albert A. Belzil	Manchester
22	John A. Dobrolecki	Manchester
22	Simone Gagne	Manchester
26	Marion E. Blow	Goffstown
27	Theodore A. Fournier	Goffstown
27	Bernice L. Regan	Goffstown
27	John N. Garst	Manchester
29	Pauline M. Bantis	Goffstown
Mar. 03	Ray H. Poulin	Derry
05	Florence A. Stone	Goffstown
08	Ethel H. Gagnon	Manchester
12	Mary Dobek	Goffstown
21	Claire M. Bullard	Goffstown
23	Ruth Gauthier	Goffstown
25	Eva Dudziak	Goffstown
27	Emmy L. Stark	Goffstown
30	Janet C. Lavigne	Manchester
31	Thomas Crimmins	Manchester
Apr. 01	Robert G. Francoeur	Manchester
02	George J. Bottcher	Nashua
07	Debra Coutu	Manchester
09	Howard W. Loudenslager	Manchester
11	Roger P. Caron	Goffstown
14	Ronald Morin	Goffstown
21	Margaret L. MacPhail	Goffstown
25	Anita I. Diggles	Manchester
May 07	William F. Gibbs	Goffstown
18	Jennifer Cheney	Barnstead
18	Irene J. Charest	Goffstown
18	Richard Perron	Goffstown
26	Agnes A. Smith	Manchester
28	Nelson O. Merrill	Manchester
Jun. 03	Norman McInnis	Manchester
05	Clara E. Hall	Manchester
05	Pamela Lefebvre	Manchester
08	Jean S. Hickey	Manchester
08	Frederick T. Nolan	Peterborough
11	Donald Lefebvre	Lebanon
12	Marie Ange Gagne	Manchester
17	Yvonne B. Bissonnette	Manchester
17	Dorothy Gaynor Thompson	Manchester
21	Renee C. Martin	Manchester
28	Blanche Morel	Manchester
Jul. 08	Elva L. Griggs	Manchester

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF DEATH
Jul.	10 Charlotte N. Taylor	Manchester
	13 John Boyd	Manchester
	16 Jeannette Avar	Manchester
	18 Jeanne Levesque	Manchester
	20 Louise Bothelo	Manchester
	31 Jean K. Dupuis	Goffstown
	31 Janine Lavoie	Manchester
Aug.	06 Olive J. Draper	Goffstown
	08 Ronald G. Dalbec	Goffstown
	13 Muriel E. Bailey	Manchester
	15 Jeannette Lavigne	Goffstown
	15 Makenna N. Cunningham	Manchester
	21 Mervin J. Herman	Goffstown
	29 Frances E. Nadeau	Goffstown
	30 Stephanie W. Simard	Goffstown
Sept.	02 Anne-Marie Perrault	Goffstown
	03 Rita F. Beique	Manchester
	08 Clarence E. Lovering	Manchester
	08 Paul M. Adamske	Portsmouth
	11 Eugenie A. Goulet	Goffstown
	14 Leona Y. Hall	Manchester
	15 Peter MacIntyre	Manchester
	19 Eileen M. Mijal	Manchester
	21 George P. Francis	Bedford
	29 Kyle T. Sack	Goffstown
Oct.	01 Doris T. Dugrenier	Manchester
	02 Eleftheria Gilson	Goffstown
	02 Helen Hill	Goffstown
	02 Claire A. Rondeau	Goffstown
	05 Elaine Larson	Goffstown
	08 Gerard E. Fortier	Manchester
	16 Edward A. Curtis	Manchester
	17 Pauline Ruel	Goffstown
	17 George A. Myers	Manchester
	20 Theresa Wheeler	Manchester
	23 Simone Yianakopolos	Manchester
	31 Lena Vaillancourt	Manchester
Nov.	02 Reta Sumner	Goffstown
	02 Margaret S. Lord	Manchester
	06 Marthe R. Harris	Goffstown
	09 Andrew J. Levasseur	Manchester
	09 Norman G. Pare	Manchester
	15 Georgia Hill	Goffstown
	20 Raymond O. Ross	Manchester
	22 Blanche J. Chalifour	Goffstown

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF DEATH
Nov. 23	Betsy Condiles	Goffstown
23	Gerard E. Henault	Goffstown
23	Roland G. St. Pierre	Manchester
24	Gladys R. Hunter	Bedford
27	Albert H. Gilbert	Manchester
Dec. 02	June A. Davis	Manchester
02	George Gosselin	Manchester
04	Priscilla C. Woodbury	Lebanon
10	Albert E. Buzzell	Goffstown
10	John Q. Adams	Manchester
13	Walter S. Pyzanowski	Goffstown
15	Dennis B. Ruggles	Manchester
15	Lucienne G. Doyon	Manchester
17	Harry R. Simpson	Goffstown
18	John F. Temple	Goffstown
27	Muriel M. Larrivee	Bedford
29	Denise M. Smith	Goffstown
30	Richard J. Hotchkiss	Manchester
31	Marjorie A. Burnett	Goffstown

TOTALS: 130

INTERMENTS

Name	Age	Date of Death	Burial Date
Shirley Hill Cemetery			
Albert Gilbert	84	11/27/00	12/07/00

Westlawn Cemetery

Clesson Leach	81	01/14/00	01/22/00
Mary Bartel	N/A	01/20/00	01/26/00
Christine Cote	25	01/28/00	02/01/00
Clarence Normand	80	02/05/00	02/08/00
Joseph A. Bushey	69	02/14/00	02/17/00
Emmy Lou Stark	86	03/27/00	04/03/00
Lloyd Cushing, Sr.	88	02/16/00	04/12/00
Dorothy Hambleton	98	04/25/00	04/29/00
Florence Stevens	88	03/22/00	05/05/00
Nelson Merrill	79	05/28/00	06/01/00
Clara Hall	81	06/05/00	06/08/00
Gregory McKinnon	18	07/10/00	07/13/00
Jean Dupuis	66	07/31/00	08/03/00
Muriel E. Bailey	89	08/12/00	08/16/00
Orrin C. MacMannus	66	08/15/00	08/18/00
Muriel Thomas	61	08/22/00	09/11/00

Name	Age	Date of Death	Burial Date
Westlawn Cemetery			
Doris Dugrenier	68	10/02/00	10/05/00
Helen Hill	92	10/02/00	10/07/00
Edna M. Lakeman	100	10/03/00	10/09/00
George A. Myers	91	10/17/00	10/19/00
Simone Yianakopolos	86	10/23/00	10/27/00
Beverly Alger	69	11/07/00	11/09/00
Gladys R. Hunter	75	11/24/00	11/27/00
June A. Davis	72	12/02/00	12/03/00
Adeline Bowen	97	12/05/00	12/08/00
Frances I. Simons	N/A	12/12/00	12/15/00

Goffstown's Transfer Station 2001 Holiday Schedule

MEMORIAL DAY

CLOSED Saturday, May 26, 2001

(Trash on schedule. Recycling one day late)

INDEPENDENCE DAY

CLOSED Tuesday, July 4, 2001

(Trash & Recycling one day late)

LABOR DAY

CLOSED Saturday, September 1, 2001

(Trash on schedule. Recycling one day late)

COLUMBUS DAY

CLOSED Saturday, October 6, 2001

(Trash on schedule. Recycling one day late)

VETERANS DAY

CLOSED Saturday, November 10, 2001

(Trash on schedule. Recycling one day late)

THANKSGIVING DAY

CLOSING AT NOON on Wednesday, November 21, 2001

CLOSED Thursday, November 22, 2001

(Trash & Recycling one day late)

CHRISTMAS DAY

CLOSED Tuesday, December 25, 2001

(Trash & Recycling one day late)



OFFICIAL BALLOTS
for the
Town of Goffstown
and
Goffstown School District

OFFICIAL BALLOT

NON-PARTISAN TOWN ELECTION

GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

MARCH 13, 2001

Donna Bergeron, Town Clerk

SELECTMEN

2 for 3 years

Vote for 2

Henry C. Boyle

Barbara Griffin

Raymond R. Valas

Howard Witherspoon

BUDGET COMMITTEE

4 for 3 years

Vote for 4

George A. Collins

Albert "Al" Desruisseaux

Lawrence W. Johnson

William C. Tucker

BUDGET COMMITTEE

1 for 2 years

Vote for 1

Colleen K. Russo

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

1 for 3 years

Vote for 1

William C. Tucker

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

2 for 3 years

Vote for 2

Kenneth Rose

Maureen McLean

PLANNING BOARD

2 for 3 years

Vote for 2

James Raymond

Lowell S. VonRuden

William J. Wynne

SEWER COMMISSION

1 for 3 years

Vote for 1

Paul E. LaPerle

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

1 for 3 years

Vote for 1

Steven N. Murphy

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board:

Shall the Town recodify the zoning ordinance by replacing the current ordinance with an ordinance, different in form, but with substantially the same content as in the existing ordinance? The new ordinance is better-organized and easier to use.
(Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board:

Shall the Town amend the zoning ordinance by adding a Section to the zoning ordinance, which is titled **Impact Fees for Public Capital Facilities**? This ordinance allows the planning board to assess fees on new development to offset the additional capital costs that the development creates for the town. The article is authorized by New Hampshire RSA 674:21 as an Innovative Land Use Control.
(Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 3 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown:

Shall the Town amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of **Map 4 Lot 64** from **Residential 1 (R-1) District** to **Agricultural (A)**. The property address is 166 New Boston Road?

(Submitted by Petition.)

*(Not Recommended
by the Planning Board)*

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 4 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown:

Shall the Town amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of **Map 5 Lot 99** from **Residential 1 (R-1)** to **Agricultural (A)**? The property address is 178 S. Mast St.

(Submitted by Petition.)

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 5 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown:

Shall the Town amend the zoning district by changing the description of **E. Commercial District, 3. Special Exceptions, d.** which currently reads:

d. Automobile sales and service, repair garages, and service stations provided that

- (1) All structures, including storage tanks, shall be placed not less than 25 feet from any property line, and
- (2) No storage tank shall be permitted above ground.

Change to:

d. Automobile sales and service, repair garages, service stations and **gasoline retailing facilities** provided that

- (1) All structures, including storage tanks, shall be placed not less than 25 feet from any property line, and

(2) No storage tank shall be permitted above ground.

(3) **Fueling positions may not be counted as parking spaces, and**

(4) **No gasoline retailing facility shall be permitted within a two mile driving distance of an existing facility. The two-mile driving distance shall be based on roadways allowing two way traffic to and from the proposed site.**

(Submitted by Petition.)

*(Not Recommended
by the Planning Board)*

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 6 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown:

Shall the Town amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of **Map 26 Lot 24** from **Industrial (I)** to **Residential Small Business Office (RSBOD)**? The property address is 277 Mast Road.

(Submitted by Petition.)

*(Not Recommended
by the Planning Board)*

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Million One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and no cents (\$1,138,835) for the purpose of financing the municipal wastewater line expansion into the area known as Knollcrest, (Ashlar Drive, Ashlar Circle, Knollcrest Road, Bailey Court, Highland Avenue, Pineridge Street) and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,138,835 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) as amended, and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to deter-

mine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town? It is the intent of the Goffstown Sewer Commission to repay this bond issuance through the sewer user fees and by charging a \$5,000 Accessibility Fee to each property that will be connecting to this lateral. (A 3/5 ballot vote is required.)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Three Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$390,000) for property acquisition and master plan development for an alternative transportation path (non-motorized) in the Town of Goffstown? This project will be funded 20% (\$78,000) by local property taxes, and 80% (\$312,000) by the Federal Transportation Enhancement Program. The path will follow along the abandoned B&M rail line (98-48 TE), from the former town dump site and future athletic fields site in Pinardville, paralleling both the Piscataquog River and Mast Road, to Goffstown Village approximately 5.7 miles. When the design is complete, then the construction project, and its costs will be presented as a Special Article to the taxpayers for vote at an annual town meeting.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town sell at public auction the former Public Works facility on Depot Street with a minimum bid and conditions to be set by the Board of Selectmen?

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town raise and appropriate zero dollars and no cents (\$0) to prevent West Nile Virus through a plan which includes special permit fees, West Nile Virus surveillance, larval survey, and larviciding?

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict revenues from ambulance fees and donations for the operating and capital expenditures of Emergency Medical Services? Such revenue and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Emergency Medical Services Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of the revenue. (This fund will be initiated with a minimum donation of \$22,000 from the Goffstown Emergency Medical Services Association.)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.)

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$22,000 from the Emergency Medical Services Fund (approved pursuant to Article 12) to pay volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) as paid on call EMTs commencing October 1, 2001? This article is contingent upon the passage of Article 12.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Department of Public Works running through December 31, 2005 and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$35,094 for the additional cost of the contract in 2001? The additional costs for 2002 over the costs in 2001 will be \$33,642. The additional costs for 2003 over the costs in 2002 will be \$29,062. The additional costs in 2004 over the costs in 2003 will be \$26,802. The additional costs in 2005 over the costs in 2004 will be \$25,005.

*(Recommended by the Board of
Selectmen and Budget Committee.)*

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the International Brotherhood of Police Officers, Local No. 371 representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Police Department running through December 31, 2005 and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$26,874 for the additional cost of the contract in 2001? The additional costs for 2002 over the costs in 2001 will be \$31,437. The additional costs for 2003 over the costs in 2002 will be \$28,536. The additional costs in 2004 over the costs in 2003 will be \$31,879. The additional costs in 2005 over the costs in 2004 will be \$31,431.

*(Recommended by the Board of
Selectmen and Budget Committee.)*

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling twelve million four hundred sixty-five thousand five hundred seventy-one dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$12,465,571.98)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be eleven million five hundred fifty-one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$11,551,785), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

*(Recommended by the Board of
Selectmen and Budget Committee.)*

NOTES

OFFICIAL BALLOT

SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

MARCH 13, 2001

Jo Ann D'Avanza, School District Clerk

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

For Three (3) Year

Vote for THREE (3)

Scott Gross

Craig S. Hieber

Ellen Vermokowitz

ARTICLE 2

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of ELEVEN MILLION NINE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$11,995,000.00) for (1) The construction of additions to the Goffstown AREA High School, for renovations to the existing building, for the payment of furnishings, equipment, architectural and other fees, site development and related incidental and necessary costs for such construction and existing school renovation pursuant to the plans and specifications as may be approved by the School Board, copies of which shall be on file with the School Administrative Unit #19 Office in Goffstown, New Hampshire; and to raise such sum by the issuance of bonds or notes of the District in an amount not to exceed ELEVEN MILLION NINE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$11,995,000.00) in accordance with the provisions of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, the form and terms of said bonds or notes including the time and place for the payment of interest, the rate of interest, and provisions for the sale of said bonds, or notes and all other matters in connection

therewith to be left to the discretion of the School Board; and (2) to further raise and appropriate through taxation a sum of THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND AND TWO DOLLARS (\$354,002.00) for the initial interest payment and fees on said bonds or notes. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. (Sixty percent vote required.)

*(The School Board
recommends this article.)
(The Budget Committee
recommends this article.)*

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling TWENTY-ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FOURTEEN DOLLARS (\$21,340,914.00). Should this Article be defeated, the Operating Budget shall be TWENTY MILLION NINE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$20,961,345.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the

Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.

(The School Board

recommends \$21,340,914.00 as the

Operating Budget)

***(The Budget Committee recommends
this article.)***

ARTICLE 4

"To see if the voters of the School District shall vote to direct the School Board in its capacity as the legal governing body of the School District for purposes of RSA 100-A:20 to enroll all of its employees and administrators in the New Hampshire Retirement System pursuant to RSA Chap. 100-A and to raise and appropriate the sum of FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$48,000) to fund the cost of retirement contributions by the School District for employees newly enrolled as of July 1, 2001. This vote shall be effective July 1, 2001, and shall not change the rights of those teachers and other employees of the School District who are already enrolled as members in the New Hampshire Retirement System." (Submitted by Petition from Goffstown Educational Support Staff.)

***(The School Board
recommends this article.)***

***(The Budget Committee
recommends this article.)***

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

SCHOOL BOARD YEAR IN REVIEW



L-R Front Row: Meagan McKinnon (Student Member), Ellen Vermokowitz, Michael York, Jane Raymond . L-R Back Row: Scott Gross , Paul O'Reilly (Vice-Chair), Craig Hieber (Chair), Albert Packard, John Stafford. Missing: Kerry Steckowych.

Two years ago, the Goffstown School Board reorganized itself to better serve the needs of the Goffstown community. As this reorganization is still in place, and provides a convenient starting point for this years report, I would like to briefly reiterate the essentials of that reorganization, and then frame our progress this year in terms of that restructuring.

Under the reorganization, the Board formed a number of subcommittees: Curriculum and Education, Human Resources, Finance and Administration, and Communications and Planning. In addition, a Building Needs Study Committee was formed to take a long range look at the problems of building maintenance and renovation, and new building needs across the district as the population of school aged children increases in Goffstown.

The broad long range goals set by the board at that time were divided into four specific areas: Facilities, High Standards, Communication, and Self-Improvement of the Board. Within each of these areas, a number of achievable goals were set. They included the following:

Facilities

- to establish a short and long term plan for building renovation and construction to deal with the increase in student growth over the next ten years.
- to develop a long-term building maintenance program.

High Standards

- to implement revised curricula in the four core content areas
- to establish an assessment procedure to determine progress toward meeting the benchmarks identified for each grade level
- to set high standards for teacher performance and to develop programs to implement teaching improvement
- to maintain and recruit high quality professional staff
- to develop an overriding local education plan that addresses teacher development and recertification, professional development, supervision and evaluation, and defines clear expectations for student achievement
- to establish clear and consistent guidelines for discipline across the district

Communication

- to develop methods to keep the Goffstown community fully informed and involved in school activities, decision making, and efforts that support the school program

School Board

- to improve the overall performance of the board
- to better implement board decisions
- to develop better working relationships with the SAU and Town Administration

I am happy to report that this adapted organizational plan is still in place and has yielded noticeable benefits, particularly in terms of efficient use of time and in informed streamlined decision making by the board. It has also improved the relationship between the board and the SAU administration. Our self-evaluation of the Board and Superintendent performance continues, and has helped to continue this trend in improvement. The overall value of this reorganization and its continued implementation was recognized in 1999 by an award from the New Hampshire School Boards Association to Goffstown for the best "School Board of the Year".

With regards to High Standards, advancing student learning continues to be the primary focus of the board, and the board and the staff of SAU #19 are engaged in a variety of areas to accomplish this. We have worked hard on curriculum development in a number of disciplines, both in terms of content and expectation, and in terms of aligning expectations with the state guidelines. In addition, we are including the current round of curriculum development into a larger cycle of reviewing programs and their content on a regular basis so that the curriculum is always as current as possible. We continue to assess, evaluate, and monitor student progress over time, designing educational programming that meets the identified needs of our students. We continue to be actively involved in a number of initiatives, including BEST schools, Literacy, Music, and Safe Schools.

Equally important, we continue to focus on professional development. Our concentration in this area is twofold: we want to attract the best and brightest to come

and teach in Goffstown, and, more importantly, we want to retain them and not lose them to other SAU's. This is of critical current importance, as finding teachers in a number of disciplines is already difficult, and projected to become even more difficult in the immediate future. To accomplish this twofold goal, we have started or already implemented a number of initiatives. We have developed a Master Plan for Professional Development that will act as a guide for development throughout the district. We are engaging in professional development imbedded in the school day, rather than taking days off and attending meetings afar, so as to have the least impact on our students. We are concentrating on hiring teachers from the greater local area as much as possible, with the notion that these are people who understand our community because it is theirs as well. We have developed a new teacher induction program to provide support and mentoring to new teachers so as to insure that they are not so overwhelmed initially that they leave. We feel we are doing a good job of developing our new teachers, and in continuing the development of the more experienced teachers already in our district. Apparently, the State of New Hampshire agrees. They have recognized the excellence of our program with a Goals 2000 grant (3 years) to develop a model Regional Professional Development Center.

We have continued to improve the administration as well. We have a new Principal, Mr. Mark Roth, at the High School, and we have attracted a new Assistant Superintendent, Susan Ratnoff, to administer Student Services. We are especially excited about these additions since both are talented, compassionate, and dedicated people who care greatly about children and education. The board continues to have an excellent working relation with the Superintendent, Dr. Darrell Lockwood. He continues to lead SAU #19 toward educational excellence while maintaining a firm grasp of the budget and an understanding of the ability of the community to fund education. His vision of education and the potential inherent in all students is making Goffstown a better place to raise children.

One of the main focuses of the Goffstown School administration is around the issue of transition. Being able to provide our students with a smooth transition from third grade into middle school, and from middle school into high school is of utmost importance. We continue to make progress in identifying strategies that need to be implemented in order to ensure smooth transitions for our students.

We have also been actively addressing discipline within the school system and have implemented a School Resource Officer position at GAHS, have continued to run the Alternative to External School Suspension program for middle and high-school students, and are successfully running a Saturday Detention Program that has replaced in-school suspension.

With regard to facilities, the main focus of the Building Committee over the past year has been the High School renovation needs. This building has not had a major renovation in the last 30 years, and the issues are primarily core facilities and its consequent effect on programs at this school. The committee has worked hard over the past year to deliver the best possible facility to the community in the most imaginative and fiscally responsible manner. In addition, they have been retained to provide guidance for the ongoing project, as well as for the continuing study

of space needs which will continue to be the major concern as the town grows and the population of elementary students increases.

Finally, we have made a number of initiatives to improve communication between the School Board, SAU Administration, Town officials and the community. We have welcomed input into board decisions via community forums, have developed a newsletter, have worked hard to improve our relationship with the other town boards we interact with by not only providing all information requested, but also by suggesting areas where closer collaboration can result in better services for all members of the community.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the members of the current board. Their dedication to and unflagging support of education, and their devotion to all of the students of SAU #19 have made them a pleasure to work with over the past year. The school board, regardless of its next composition, looks forward to continuing the work in progress and advancing student learning of the SAU #19 community.

Dr. Craig S. Hieber,
School Board Chair

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

DARRELL J. LOCKWOOD, Ed.D.



L-R: Mary Heath (Asst. Supt.), Dr. Darrell J. Lockwood (Supt.), Susan Ratnoff (Asst. Supt.), Michele Croteau (Business Mgr.)

ADVANCING STUDENT LEARNING

Our mission is to develop and support an educational community that advances rigorous standards for learning for all students, resulting in high student achievement. The 1999-2000 school year continued to provide opportunities and challenges to the school districts of School Administrative Unit #19 as we worked toward accomplishing this mission. We continued to appreciate the support provided by our communities on behalf of our growing student population.

ENROLLMENTS

Dunbarton Elementary School's enrollment went from 181 students in June 1999 to 177 students in June 2000. The addition of Kindergarten in September 2000 increased total enrollment to over 200 students.

Student population in Goffstown grew from 2,712 students in June 1999 to 2,789 in June 2000. We anticipate growth of an additional 100 students by June 2001. This growth continues to put stress on the capacities of our facilities, particularly Mountain View Middle School.

New Boston Central School had 438 students in June 1999. This number increased slightly to 446 by June 2000.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

National, state and local school improvement initiatives center on the belief that all students can learn and perform to high standards. While the performance to high standards is the goal of education, getting there involves direct focus on the educational process. Few school administrators would dispute the contention that their most important responsibilities in this process are to provide professional growth opportunities and insightful performance evaluation feedback for their staff members. With this in mind, a priority for our work and a focus of our time this past year has been on developing an Integrated Model for Advancing Student Learning. The model was derived from surveys and discussions with SAU #19 teachers and administrators, community engagement forums, and through a synthesis of theory and research on adult development, organizational change, and teacher supervision and evaluation.

The purpose of the model is to provide a framework for teaching and learning. Its foundation is built on the premise that *all* children can learn. We developed a Professional Practice Profile that serves as a guide that emphasizes the connections among expectations and understandings teachers have about themselves, their students and student learning. As the process evolves over the school year, it will be fashioned to facilitate and enhance teacher development of the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully teach the children of the 21st Century. The process connects personal reflection on practice, job embedded professional development, teacher certification, supervision and evaluation of staff, and continuous school improvement. The integrated model formalizes the linkages of these various functions; it encourages the overlapping of the work within each function.

Our professional development work has been recognized by the New Hampshire Department of Education and by many surrounding school districts as exemplary. Teachers and administrators have presented this body of work to the Professional Standards Board and to several school districts involved in initial stages of similar work.

CURRICULUM/PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

The year brought many changes to our curriculum and programs. New Language Arts/Reading materials were utilized in all elementary classrooms. Our Mathematics committee studied materials and programs to support the curriculum and made recommendations, toward the end of the school year, to purchase Everyday Math materials for elementary classrooms. A Musical Strings Program started in Goffstown for Grade 3 students. This program grew to include Grade 4 this year. Dunbarton and New Boston are following this lead and developing additional music programs for students. International Languages returned to Mountain View Middle School in form of an introductory course in 1999-2000. The program expanded to include first year French and Spanish this school year. Advanced Placement Courses at the Goffstown AREA High School continue to be developed. A multi-year plan to offer Advanced Placement courses in all core subjects is well underway.

The high school students, faculty and administration, with input from the community, planned several changes for their program. The entire school structure, from where students go when they arrive in the morning, to how long a class period should be, were topics of study. The most significant change was the implementation of the block schedule for this school year. The hiring of a new principal became an opportunity to

involve the entire community. Students, faculty, parents and community members participated in the screening process the school board designed. The process attracted quality candidates and resulted in the hiring of Principal Mark Roth.

Sports teams had successful years. The Goffstown AREA High School Varsity Boys Basketball team won their division championship for an unprecedented second year in a row. The Varsity Boys Baseball team joined this heralded group with the Class I Championship in the Spring. The success of the Goffstown Little League team this past year ensures that we will undoubtedly see more baseball championships in the future: Extra-curricular activities were also reviewed and expanded. Frank McBride, the high school Athletic Director, instituted an expanded intramural program for students. Friends of Hockey financially supported the beginning of a club hockey team. The team achieved a great deal of success and the School Board supported the clubs move to a varsity sport for the 2000-2001 year. Wrestling was approved for the 2000-2001 school year and plans for a club football team in 2001-2002 were also approved.

SCHOOL SAFETY PLANS

We take pride in the welcoming atmosphere and tradition of open doors in schools. However, as our schools have grown in size and complexity, we have become increasingly concerned with issues of safety and security. Undoubtedly, you have become aware of some of our safety-related policies and regulations. We now have signs on exterior doors requesting visitors to check-in at the Main Office. This step, though inconvenient, is in no way intended to limit visits or active involvement in the life of the school. (Please note that I, as Superintendent of Schools, sign-in when I visit our schools.) In addition to fire drills, safety drills simulating a variety of hazardous situations have become a part of our security program.

Traffic flow in our parking areas is an ongoing concern. In cooperation with local police departments we are continually looking at these issues. In particular, we would like to thank members of the New Boston community for their patience in dealing with parking and traffic flow issues during building construction and renovation.

SCHOOL FACILITIES

Schools continue to be utilized for multiple uses. Recreational programs are active in all of our schools. Self-funded After School Programs exist at each elementary school in the SAU. Summer School programs were held at Maple Avenue, Mountain View Middle School, New Boston Central School and Goffstown AREA High School. Staffing custodial positions has been a challenge in all three of our districts. Despite being short-handed at times, ongoing maintenance plans have proceeded. Goffstown Facilities Director Jerry Agate warrants special recognition. He and his staff have done a marvelous job of creating inviting educational environments for our increasing numbers of students and for a variety of community uses of the facilities. We encourage you to come and take a look at our progress.

An addition, and renovation project was completed at New Boston Central School this past summer. The result is a tribute to the community. Students, staff, and the community members endured the inconvenience of construction by making it a part of the educational process. Principal Rick Matthews worked tirelessly to make certain that the community received a quality product.

With the completion of an addition and playground just barely behind them, the Dunbarton District voted in March to implement kindergarten in their school. School Board member Jeff Trexler and Assistant Superintendent Mary Heath led the development of the proposal, which includes yet another addition to the Dunbarton Elementary School. Foundation work was completed this past summer and construction will begin in the Spring 2001.

Last year, the Goffstown Building Needs Study Committee, under the able leadership of School Board members Ellen Vermokowitz and John Stafford, recommended a \$10,850,000 plan for renovation and additions to the Goffstown AREA High School. They also recommended the purchase of land and the development of plans for an additional elementary school to alleviate the overcrowding at Mountain View Middle School. The plan would have allowed for the addition of Kindergarten and the transferring of Grade 4 students to an elementary environment. This comprehensive plan brought forth in March 2000 was defeated. The School Board, therefore, redirected efforts concentrated on addressing Goffstown AREA High School renovation and addition needs. A High School Building Study Committee was reformed and charged with developing a plan. The plan for an \$11,995,000 project will be voted on in March 2001. Middle school and elementary needs are currently listed on the Capital Improvements Plan for the year 2004.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

New Hampshire Partners in Education again bestowed the Blue Ribbon Award for volunteerism to the New Boston Central School, Dunbarton Elementary School, and two Goffstown Schools, namely: Mountain View Middle School and Maple Avenue Elementary. Bartlett School has begun to count the numerous hours registered by volunteers and we fully expect they will be award winners next year. Whether in classrooms, boardrooms, or committee rooms, we appreciate ALL school volunteers in each of our school buildings.

SCHOOL STRUCTURE

The Dunbarton School District welcomed kindergartners to their school this year due to the positive vote in March 2000. Governor Shaheen participated in the ribbon cutting ceremony and read stories to students at the opening ceremony.

New Boston School District voted to study the addition of Kindergarten. The School Board appointed a committee to perform the study. Assistant Superintendent Mary Heath facilitated the group and provided them with research and technical assistance. The group's report has resulted in a proposal to add half-day kindergarten at New Boston Central School. The proposal will go before the voters in March 2001. School Board support at this time is largely due to the 75% building aid by the State for this project.

As mentioned elsewhere in this report, plans for inclusion of public kindergarten in Goffstown were put on hold this past March after the defeat of the comprehensive school facilities plan. The School Board plans to revisit this issue after addressing the high school needs. Continuation of state financial incentives for Kindergarten will likely determine the next steps in this review process.

GOVERNANCE/MANAGEMENT REVIEW

Legislation passed by the New Hampshire Legislature created an expiration date of 2008 for all existing Authorized Regional Enrollment Area (AREA) Agreements. This will require Dunbarton, Goffstown and New Boston to review the Grade 7 - 12 Agreement in order to develop a successor agreement or to determine other directions. School Boards have begun to discuss the process each local board will implement to develop their positions. It is anticipated that this review will involve members of the communities and will be completed one or two years prior to the Agreement expiration date.

The Dunbarton School District voted to have a local review of SAU membership and existing or possible alternatives. The District Moderator appointed members to this committee. In addition, the Superintendent of Schools and Charles Gaides, Principal, provide research and technical support for the study. The findings, supporting the continued membership of the Dunbarton School District in SAU #19, will be reported to the District meeting in March.

STAFFING

We were pleased at the quality candidates brought forth in our high school principal search. The background and leadership style of our new principal, Mark Roth, nicely complements the staff and administration at the high school.

Finding and retaining qualified staff is the issue for the new millennium. Once again, administrators worked diligently this past summer to recruit new professional staff. The greatest areas of concern remain in Special Education, Foreign Language, Science and Mathematics. The long-term contracts in each of our districts continue to assist us in attracting new personnel. We thank our School Boards for their work and our communities for the ongoing support. The effects of the economy and full employment have not been entirely relegated to the professional staff. Support staff hiring continues to be difficult. Educational assistants, custodians, and food service staff are in high demand. School Boards increased the amount of pay for substitutes this year and that has shown dividends. However, we must continue to be diligent in tackling the need to provide quality work environments where employees are appreciated for their efforts. Research tells us that a compliment for a job well done goes a long way! Please catch someone doing something well and let them know it!

The School Administrative Office has also experienced staffing changes. Carol Kilmister was hired this past summer as the Human Resources/Public Information Manager. An opening for an Assistant Superintendent and Special Education Director allowed for some reorganization. These two positions were combined into one position, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services. Sue Ratnoff joined SAU #19 in that capacity in October 2000.

RECOGNITION

Several staff members retired from our schools during the 1999-2000 school year. We send best wishes to Margaret Battey - Maple Avenue Elementary School; Gail Barker - Mountain View Middle School; and Susan Bradbury and Judith Swanson - Goffstown AREA High School. We would also like to recognize Luane Tabor who retired from her receptionist position in the Superintendent's Office. We are forever indebted for their many years of service to our students.

Acknowledgements are also due to board members who have completed their work. They are New Boston School Board members Cathleen Strausbaugh and Deb O'Rourke and Goffstown School Board members Karl MacGibbon, Ginny McKinnon and Ryan Levesque (student member). Thank you for your generous work on behalf of our students.

Last but not least, let me share with you how proud I am of our students. Students are being accepted to many two and four-year colleges of their choice. They continue to have success on the playing field. Drama and music programs are flourishing in all of our schools. Student artwork has received New Hampshire and New England recognition. Indeed there is much reason to be pleased with student achievement.

In closing, we continue to give thanks to school boards, employees, school volunteers, parents and citizens who have contributed to the past and present accomplishments of our students. Your continued support and cooperation is essential to our students' success.

Darrell J. Lockwood, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2000

Moderator, Larry Emerton, called the 2000 School District Deliberative Session to order at 7:05 p.m. There were 181 registered voters in attendance.

Mr. Emerton introduced School Board members: Chair Michael York, Vice Chair Craig Hieber, Ellen Vermokowitz, Al Packard, Ginny McKinnon, Jane Raymond, John Stafford, Paul O'Reilly and Karl MacGibbon. Mr. Emerton also introduced Superintendent Darrell Lockwood, Assistant Superintendents Mary Heath and Frank Scala, Director of Special Education Barbara Potvin, Business Manager Michelle Croteau, Principals Chris Mosca, Rose Colby and Dave Bousquet and Assistant Principals Sandy Davis, Jim Doig and Leslie Doster. Also introduced were Richard Van Pelt and Jerry Agate.

Moderator Emerton also introduced Budget Committee Chair Peter Georgantas, Budget Committee School Sub-Committee Chair Tim Hanson, School District Clerk Jo Ann D'Avanza and Assistant Moderator Fred Plett.

Mr. Emerton then introduced Coach Michaud and the 1999 Championship Basketball Team.

Alice Tirrell Knight then lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. The GHS Small Ensemble, led by Chris Shimkus, followed.

Jess Benthien, President of the Goffstown Area High School Senior Class, led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Emerton then read the legal posting for this meeting. A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of Articles 2-5 and take them up separately. This was voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 2

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of TEN MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,850,000.00) for (1) The construction of additions to the Goffstown AREA High School, for renovations to the existing building, for the payment of furnishings, equipment, architectural and other fees, site development and related incidental and necessary costs for such construction and existing school renovation pursuant to the plans and specifications as may be approved by the School Board, copies of which shall be on file with the School Administrative Unit #19 Office in Goffstown, New Hampshire; and to raise such sum by the issuance of bonds or notes of the District in an amount not to exceed TEN MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,850,000.00) in accordance with the provisions of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated the form and terms of said bonds or notes including the time and place for the payment of interest, the rate of interest and provisions for the sale of said bonds, or notes and all other matters in connection

therewith to be left to the discretion of the School Board; (2) and further to authorize the expenditure of up to TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00) from money to be gained from the short-term investing of the proceeds from the bond sales for the purpose of equipping the building; and (3) to further raise and appropriate through taxation a sum of THREE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND AND NINETY EIGHT DOLLARS (\$313,098.00) for the initial interest payment on said bonds or notes? This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the Operating Budget Article. Note: The total amount raised and appropriated in this Article is \$11,363,098.00. A sixty percent vote is required. (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

MOTION: C. Hieber moved, seconded by J. Stafford to place Article 2 on the ballot as presented.

Ellen Vermokowitz: The School Building Committee has been hard at work for two years now. We have been doing a great deal of research. The scope of research included evaluating the facilities, evaluating each of the sites, looked at enrollments, reviewed financial information, evaluated space issues in all schools, received final report of the kindergarten study committee, evaluated a number of alternative solutions to the needs we realize we have, looked at additional building, new buildings and purchasing land, proposed taking into consideration space needs, committee recommended renovations, and building a new school. We listened carefully to what the public had to say at the public hearing. Ultimately, the proposal was voted on the high school renovation for next year and a new elementary school a year later.

Bartlett Elementary School was built in 1922 with an addition in 1960. They have a capacity of 184. The September enrollment was 187. The site is small and full. Maple Avenue Elementary School was built in 1956 with additions in 1960 and 1990. They have a capacity of 428. September enrollment was 440. It has maximized its use on the site. Mountain View Middle School was built in 1990-91 with a capacity of 1,058. The September enrollment was 1,257. We expect to have 1,300 students next year. Goffstown AREA High School was built in 1965 with an addition in 1973. The capacity is 947. September enrollment was 964. This site can handle some addition and site design.

High School Needs: Over the past three decades there have been significant changes in education, the use of technology, media studio and special education services. The facility is over 30 years old. The art program is in the original library. The science labs take place in the junior high wing and have not been updated since 1973. The site needs more parking and some fields for school and public use.

The solution we are proposing in this Article is this site plan here. (Ellen explained the details of the project). In the past year costs have gone up for construction and we included a new roof and HVAC into this project. The cost is \$10,850,000. We are currently proposing a 15-year bond. John Stafford: The Building Committee was established by the School Board to review plans for the renovation and additions at GAHS. It was originally a \$14 million project. We were charged with reviewing the plans and delivering to the School Board a comprehensive project. We believe we have accomplished this task. The Building Committee consisted of a diverse group of our community. We met frequently over the past 18 months. We worked as a group using a consensus model. We discussed every possible option we could think of. The term that

we used again and again was “what would give us the most bang for the buck”. We reduced the price to \$10 million, despite the fact that construction costs have risen.

Liz Dolan: How long will this project meet the needs of the Town? My children are in the bubble years - sixth and fourth grades. Mrs Colby told me nothing can be done about those classes. They can go up to 35 students per classroom.

Ellen Vermokowitz: This project will update the high school and will see us a great many many more years into the future. Projecting enrollment we used the states figures, which we have found to be the fairest. We can project now no more than seven years. We also have to consider growth in our community. We see the facility itself being in excellent condition. To put an exact date, I would be hesitant. We know we are in good shape for seven years. Next year we are adding two fifth grade teachers and bringing in more portables. Your question is the very reason we need to approve these proposals because we have so many children here. These projects will not be done until 2002. We have looked at this site and we feel there is still room to expand the high school if we need to. The core is being developed for 1,250. We can add on. We chose not to do that because it was the more expensive route to go.

Liz Dolan: Is there any limit to class size? Michael York: Our policy is 23-24 in the younger grades. In the higher grades some will be smaller and some will be larger. We are trying to keep the class sizes as low as we can. We are constrained by the number of teachers and the facility. Steve Monier: Section two, I don’t recall seeing this before where we are taking accruals from the bond and using it towards a project. The real cost will be \$11,050,000. Is that the intention? Ellen Vermokowitz: The Board is asking permission of the voters. We tried to keep the costs down. We have included a lot for furniture. We would like to have the permission to spend that interest earned up to \$200,000. We anticipate it to be more than that. The excess goes back to the Town to offset taxes. L. Emerton: The Legislature passed a new law last year which applies to SB2 Towns. The ballot will be counted in March. This article will need 60% to pass.

ARTICLE 2 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS PRESENTED.

ARTICLE 3

Shall the School District authorize the Goffstown School Board to proceed with the purchase of land and development of architectural plans for an elementary school and to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000.00) for this purpose? The property is approximately 26 acres and is located on Jason Drive (Map 6 Lot 23). This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the Operating Budget Article. (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee does not recommend this Article.)

MOTION: C. Hieber moved, seconded by A. Packard to place Article 3 on the ballot as presented.

Ellen Vermokowitz: This is another piece of the comprehensive space needs proposal. This Article addresses identified needs for an elementary school. We are asking the voters to approve funds to purchase land and provide detailed plans. Two hundred thousand of this Article goes for the land purchase. One hundred and fifty thousand is for legal fees and engineering and architectural studies. Over the past several months, the Building Committee held forums. We were originally presenting a K-12 proposal for this year. As a result of listening to your comments, the Building

Committee proposed a project that phased in Articles 2 and 3. This proposal allows the Building Committee to further work on obtaining detailed answers to your questions. We will be able to purchase a parcel of land that has been determined useable for an elementary school. The demands on our elementary schools are significant. In the past four years our school population has gone up 7%. We anticipate another 4% next year. The solution is to remove fourth grade from MVMS. This proposal is part of a comprehensive plan. This night is the first time all of this information is being presented to the public. The Building Committee considered a number of sites in Town and narrowed it down to 12. The site we have proposed is located on Goffstown Back Road and Jason Drive. We have conducted feasibility studies on this site. We have soil samples that show it is good for construction. We received septic designs and find it is ample to meet the needs. Traffic is a concern for all of us. We will address traffic in a detailed study. We are preliminarily proposing a third traffic lane on Jason on the school side. With your approval we will be able to do further detailed analysis. Water has been a serious concern. We have had preliminary discussions with the Grasmere Water Precinct. We have several options for the water. That will be looked into in detail. We have preliminary site plans for this parcel. It is slightly different from one you may have seen earlier this year. We are proposing overlaying ball fields toward the Back Road. In the back we have another small ball field. That one was moved because of the abutter's concerns.

Harvey Clement: I have been a member of this community for 2.5 years. We love it here. We want to continue to love it here. We are also fathers and mothers of four children. We have experienced what you are experiencing now; school problems and the education of our children. We have a morale responsibility to you, the community, and you have a morale responsibility as new citizens of our community. We feel that further consideration of that property is not necessarily in the best interest of your children. We don't think it is in the best interest of all of the taxpayers of Goffstown. We think that another year of study is needed. I think it would be far better to seek a new school near the Police Department on a highway that is already developed, as opposed to having it in Grasmere Village on a road that is narrow and curved. Most of the population is in this area. I think it is unfair to all of us to think further of this at this time. I think we should make haste very slowly on this article.

L. Emerton: The Legislature oversees the County land. The land you are referring to around the Police Station is Hillsborough County land. It is approximately 600 acres. The County Delegation has had proposals to buy that land. It takes an act of God to get that land from the County. Martin Gaskar: It seems we are buying the property now and voting on it two years from now. Why don't you send it all to the voters at once? Is it because we think there is a lot of buyers out there or is there another reason? Ellen Vermokowitz: The property is available to us now. The seller has agreed to take it off the market until after the March vote. We did propose we would be buying and building all at one time. The people at the forums were clear they wanted more information. To get that information and to meet the space needs in our schools, we felt it would be prudent to purchase this land and to do all engineering and design studies first. H. Clement: I suggest that we defer. I make a motion that we defer this for a full year and I pledge you my personal interest in helping us resolve this problem to find a better solution than what has been proposed.

Patricia Sullivan: I was glad to hear you finally decided to do some studies. I did go to the sessions here. I walked away not knowing anything. I am glad you looked into the water issues. Hopefully, you will look into the traffic issues. The Claremont issue has not been settled and you are counting on \$5 million. E. Vermokowitz: That has nothing to do with this Warrant Article. P. Sullivan: Not for the proposal, but for building the school. E. Vermokowitz: The school would be bonded, and the state pays 30% of the construction costs. If we do kindergarten, the state pays 75% of the construction costs, plus 30% of the remaining 25%. In the total revenue analysis, yes the adequate funding is part of those revenues. That is not the construction costs or the elementary school. P. Sullivan: The area has a very steep ravine. Any consideration made to put fences up to protect the children? It must be a 40' drop. Paul Hemmrich (architect): That is actually the kind of question we have not looked at. It is all part of the study we are talking about. E. Vermokowitz: We are aware it is there and it is on the boundry line. We do have a brook at Maple Ave. We will consider this. P. Sullivan: Has there been a recent appraisal done? I looked at the assessment from 1997. It was assessed at \$65,300. The School Board is willing to pay \$200,000 for that property. That was not a current use value. Are you getting the most money for your dollar. P. Hemmrich: There has not been an assessment done. There has been unofficial evaluations of the value of that property by consultants to try and get a handle on what the property would be worth. The property could generally support development of 20 units of housing. The value of that development is defined in the ballpark of what the asking price is. P. Sullivan: I would like to make a motion to reduce the dollar value of the land to zero. L. Emerton: The Planning Board always reviews all plans in this Town. It has been a custom for them to look at all sites in Town. Gordon Garron: It was established that you looked at several sites. What are your primary reasons for selecting this site? I would certainly think any proposal would have to incorporate fencing. E. Vermokowitz: It is mainly flat near the construction area. That area of Town is the fastest growing area we have. Paul O'Reilly: The Master Plan Committee found that people in the Town wanted neighborhood schools back. Ken Rose: The Budget Committee does not recommend this Article. Is there someone from the Budget Committee that can speak to that.

Peter Georgantas, Chair: As Ellen alluded to earlier, tonight is the first presentation in this detail. The Budget Committee was very hesitant to approve this Article. We believe if you vote for this Article, we would be sending a message to the voters that we would be approving a new elementary school. The Budget Committee decided that we would not recommend the expenditure of \$350,000. We wanted more information before we recommended a new elementary school. Dr. Lockwood: Peter, could you let the folks know what the vote was on that Article. P. Georgantas: There are 16 members of the Budget Committee. Twelve are elected and four are appointed. Off the top of my head I don't remember what the vote was. Dr. Lockwood: It was 7-6. P. Georgantas: Dr. Lockwood, if you know the answer, why did you ask? 7-6 is a vote. That vote did not carry and the Budget Committee did not recommend the Article.

George Fullerton: The Budget Committee does have the opportunity after this meeting to change their recommendation if they so desire.

Charlie Carr: I was on the committee studying these lots. I can tell you the County property is not at all suitable. The Jason Drive property is by far the best for many

reasons. There is another piece of property in Grasmere that is the right size. It would require a budget, which would be very expensive if the owner would sell, but he won't. He will sell the whole property, and we can't afford it. Another piece of property the Town has considered is a sand and gravel pit. This has access only through the Transfer Station.

Maggie Dolbow: The property will be paid for. Do you know what we are looking at in terms of class sizes for those kids? E. Vermokowitz: We have two trailers and more coming in. The Board has worked very hard at long range planning. This has been in the plans for many years. This is the time to start those plans. This is good land for construction, and it is in a good place for the community. We hope you will support this Article. Alice Rohr: I want everyone to realize about this land is the nearness of the availability of water to support the school. The water is available.

Paul Root: Ellen said the land is flat. E. Vermokowitz: Slightly sloped. P. Root: There is a 30' drop in the back. E. Vermokowitz: We are aware of the ravine. It is on the boundary line of the property. P. Root: What about the property the Town owns across from Glen Lake. Charlie Carr: The 55-acre lot across from Glen Lake is owned by the Town. It was purchased with a grant that was given to the Town for the purpose of purchasing land for recreation. In order to use that land for a school, there might be the possibility of buying back the grant. At that time it was \$35,000. There is land there that could be used for a school. P. Root: So you really have looked into how much it will cost to buy that land back? L. Emerton: They have looked into it, but they have not figured out the cost. C. Carr: I am not sure if \$35,000, if you allow for inflation and interest, I am not sure it would come to less than \$200,000. It is enough far away from where the streets and roads are that the annual cost for bus transportation would amount to a great deal of the cost. We want to minimize that as close as we could to Grasmere Center.

Bob Wheeler: The land at Glen Lake is not available. It was purchased by the community for conservation and recreation and we can have no structure on that. The Town looked at the land where Mt. View is now.

Becky Stafford: This particular issue lets them have the money to do the studies. That gives them the possibility of getting more details. If the studies are done without any commitment to the land, they do run the risk of not having the land and doing the studies. It is definitely a thing that is needed. If you put it on hold, it is impacting class sizes and ultimately it impacts the quality of education. The idea of putting an elementary school across from a state prison does not sound very good. Deb Gaudet: Are we wasting money on portables? We really looked into the busing issue and the cost of that. Jane Raymond: The cost of portables is somewhat variable; \$40,000 - \$50,000 for a doublewide portable for rental, including setup and placement. You would probably have to install air conditioning. If they are used for more than three years, their resale value diminishes significantly.

Barbara Root: The ravine does not just separate the abutting property. Our property abuts it on two sides. It is a residential area zoned agricultural. There are a lot of people in the area against the school being there. We have lived there four years and that property has been for sale. We talked to a contractor and they did not buy it because it was so high priced. I think there is a problem with the survey. J. Stafford: We do know the size of the land. The money we have had available has been used wisely to prove the land is acceptable to build a school on. B. Root: We had a survey and there

were mistakes. A timber cutter removed the stonewall. J. Stafford: We will make a note of that and get the answers for that. B. Root: There has been a lot of talk the past few months on all of this going on. Why haven't any abutters been notified? L. Emerton: Until you do something, then you have to notify the abutters. When they buy it and put a plan forward, they have to notify abutters.

Dr. Lockwood: There have been six public forums on the School Board's building project. This has been a very busy process over the last 18 months. Joan Tule: I hope the Planning Board is working with the School Board and the Building Committee. It seems crazy if land could be developed with more single-family homes when we don't have room for the families we have now. I think it is a good idea to keep the fourth graders at the elementary schools. I think it is a great idea to advocate neighborhood schools. Ezra Beck: How much money have we got into this project and where did it come from? Dr. Lockwood: We committed \$25,000 in the School District's budget for use by the Building Committee. Of that money, the majority of that has gone to the study of the high school project. The School Board did approve the architect having Meredian Survey to do the soils test and survey the property. I believe it was in the neighborhood of \$4,000.

Mr. Clement: I am not adversary to the project. I am reminded that I made a motion that we defer further consideration of this for another year. In the meantime, we could look at alternative sites. The fact that you did not ask for a second makes me feel good because everybody who has gone since then to speak for or against gives proof to the fact that there are many unanswered questions there.

L. Emerton: We have a motion coming forward with five signatures asking for a written vote to reduce the amount to zero. M. York: This has been studied for 18 months. Steve Monier: Why didn't we spell out how much was going toward the purchase of land and how much was going toward the costs? It is true we do not have a purchase and sales agreement on this land contingent on the passage of this article? E. Vermokowitz: This is the language recommended by DRA. The seller has agreed to take it off the market until the March vote, but they would not enter into a contingent purchase and sales agreement. Dr. Lockwood: Mr. Grant now lives in Idaho. He has legal representation in Boston, who we are dealing with. It has been difficult. He wanted the School District to put down a deposit. We have no authority to do such a thing until it is voted on by the body. Martin Gaskar: It seems that what is being done here we are trying to buy the property on a 50% vote. Once we do that, we are hoping to get 60%. If in 2-3 years the voters decided not to buy the elementary school, you would have great difficulty selling that property for \$8,000 to \$9,000 per acre.

Sylvia Colburn: If we had all the answers we would not be asking for the \$150,000 for this study. I would like to urge the Budget Committee to reconsider. Please put our children first and not get further behind. We are committed to the site. Scott Gross: I served on the Building Committee. We did study about 17 pieces of land. There are not that many viable pieces to build an elementary school. The time to do things is in the short run, not by putting it off. From an economic perspective, some people do not want to write a blank check. We worked diligently to bring that high school project down to \$10 million. As we wait on the elementary school, we would forego the 75% the state will give us. By putting it off, we are cutting our nose to spite our face.

A written vote was taken. Results were: 37-in favor, 142-opposed. Amendment defeated.

ARTICLE 3 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS PRESENTED.

ARTICLE 4

Shall the School District vote to purchase a new boiler to include a burner, heating pump, expansion tank and all necessary piping to replace the existing Weil McLain boiler at Bartlett Elementary School, which was installed in 1965, and to raise and appropriate the sum of NINETY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$96,000.00) for this purpose? This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the Operating Budget Article. (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

MOTION: John Stafford moved, seconded by Jane Raymond to place Article 4 on the ballot as presented.

There was no discussion on Article 4.

ARTICLE 4 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS PRESENTED.

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget, posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling NINETEEN MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY THREE DOLLARS (\$19,828,383.00). Should this Article be defeated, the Operating Budget shall be NINETEEN MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND ONE DOLLARS (\$19,714,901.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

MOTION: Peter Georgantas moved, seconded by Tim Hanson to recommend \$19,828,383.00 for the School District budget.

P. Georgantas: The number you see before you, \$19,828,383.00 is the Budget Committee's recommended number. This year we were fortunate to have two ex-school board members serve on the school side of the Budget Committee, Tim Hanson and Pam Manney. The Budget Committee consists of two groups; one works on the Town side and one works on the school side. Tim chaired the School Sub-Committee.

MOTION: Michael York moved, seconded by Craig Hieber to amend the motion to change the figure from \$19,828,383.00 to \$20,151,178.00.

M. York: The School Board is requesting \$20,151,178 to meet the challenges that we face. The population of the school children is increasing. That is why we are looking to build a new school and renovate the high school. The budget this year is here to take care of the problems we have with the class size and implement the standards based on curriculum. The budget has increased this year by 6.4%. Last year the voters increased the contracts for the teachers by 4.7%. We really have a 1.7% increase in the budget.

Becky Stafford: I was one of the people at the Budget Committee's presentation. I would like to urge support of the School Board's figures. The Budget Committee's cuts have a small impact on the overall tax burden. Some of the cuts seem arbitrary. Some of the cuts impact the operation of the schools. The School Board worked hard to come up with this budget. They are realistic figures.

Jon Morris: I was also at the Budget Committee's hearing. My concern was they took all the input from the public and almost everybody who spoke was in favor of the School Board's budget. For all that information, they did not do anything with it. I am here to support the School Board's side. For \$350,000 we are nickel and dimming our kids education.

Tim Hanson: The Budget Committee did discuss our budget after the public hearing. The difference between our budget is \$322,795. We based our budget on the 1998/99 expenditures. That helped us formulate our budget. Here are the things that are in the budget: 4.5% increase. We are proposing professional staff additions of reading recovery, special ed teacher at Maple Ave., two grade 5 teachers, 2/5 art and music at MVMS, three teachers and a special ed coordinator, musicals at MVMS, athletic positions, \$5,040 for Saturday detention program, twilight school. All of these are new positions or programs. An additional special ed aide at Bartlett, increase in secretarial hours at MVMS, increase of special ed secretary to eight hours per day, increase in front office secretary to eight hours, increase in athletic secretary to six hours, increase of temporary custodial help, \$153,000 for new text books. These are all additions to last year's budget. We think this budget is fair. We did not cut any new positions. We looked at what they spent in 1998/99 and we built the budget from that.

Bob Wheeler: In the last year that was fully completed, was there a surplus in the educational budget? T. Hanson: I believe there was. The unexpended was approximately \$485,040. B. Wheeler: Wasn't there almost \$1 million in surplus? T. Hanson: Yes.

Barbara Totherow: So much of this is set that cannot be negotiated. It is always nickel and dimming. It is very important to fund teacher's training, and here it is cut again. T. Hanson: There is an increase in this budget of \$1,165,134. The staff development line may look like a cut, but it was actually reduced to the spending down at the end of the 1998/99 school year. We did not allow for the increase. Tory Tuthill: You just gave us a large list of things you are keeping, but you are level funding staff development with new staff. T. Hanson: The request was \$60,000. The Budget Committee reduced it by \$10,000. T. Tuthill: I believe the School Board is more attuned to what is happening in our schools. I think we need to support the teachers, especially if we are putting more teachers on board.

Jane Exner: The surplus goes to offset the tax rate. If there is a big decrease, the tax rate is impacted more. If we have \$1 million in surplus this year, we leave the tax rate open to a bigger fluctuation and encourage the School Board to spend every penny.

Becky Stafford: Is it a good example, if we level fund something from last year you are assuming that things will stay the same. The School District has a tradition of not spending everything. If there is a surplus, they give it back.

Tess Marts: I am in support of the amendments to increase the number as requested by the School Board.

Peter Georgantas moved the question, seconded by Ellen Vermokowitz. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Vote on the amendment to increase the budget to \$20,151,178.00. All in favor by voice vote. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 5 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS AMENDED.

Michael York recognized two School Board members who were leaving their positions this year: Ginny McKinnon and Karl MacGibbon.

MOTION: Peter Georgantas moved, seconded by P. Manney to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 p.m. So voted.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Ann D'Avanza
Goffstown School District Clerk



Maple Ave. Elementary School
2000 Halloween Parade

SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION RESULTS

MARCH 14, 2000

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

For Three (3) Year	Vote for THREE (3)
Al Desruisseaux	1495
Jane Raymond	1778
Kerry Steckowych	1805
Michael York	1561

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

For One (1) Year	Vote for ONE (1)
Scott Gross	2096

SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR

For Three (3) Years	Vote for ONE (1)
Lawrence Emerton, Sr.	2204

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For Three (3) Years	Vote for ONE (1)
Helen Skoglund	2286

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

For Three (3) Years	Vote for ONE (1)
Jo Ann D'Avanza	2199

ARTICLE 2

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of TEN MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,850,000.00) for (1) The construction of additions to the Goffstown AREA High School, for renovations to the existing building, for the payment of furnishings, equipment, architectural and other fees, site development and related incidental and necessary costs for such construction and existing school renovation pursuant to the plans and specifications as may be approved by the School Board, copies of which shall be on file with the School Administrative Unit #19 Office in

Goffstown, New Hampshire; and to raise such sum by the issuance of bonds or notes of the District in an amount not to exceed TEN MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,850,000.00) in accordance with the provisions of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, the form and terms of said bonds or notes including the time and place for the payment of interest, the rate of interest and provisions for the sale of said bonds, or notes and all other matters in connection therewith to be left to the discretion of the School Board; (2) and further to authorize the expenditure of up to TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00) from money to be gained from the short-term investing of the proceeds from the bond sales for the purpose of equipping the building; and (3) to further raise and appropriate through taxation a sum of THREE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND AND NINETY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$313,098.00) for the initial interest payment on said bonds or notes? This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the Operating Budget Article. Note: The total amount raised and appropriated in this Article is \$11,363,098.00. A sixty percent vote is required.

(The School Board recommends this article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this article.)

YES - 1096

NO - 1403

ARTICLE 3

Shall the School District authorize the Goffstown School Board to proceed with the purchase of land and development of architectural plans for an

elementary school and to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000.00) for this purpose? The property is approximately 26 acres and is located on Jason Drive (Map 6 Lot 23). This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the Operating Budget Article.

(The School Board recommends this article.) (The Budget Committee does not recommend this article.)

YES - 656

NO - 1996

ARTICLE 4

Shall the School District vote to purchase a new boiler to include a burner, heating pump, expansion tank, and all necessary piping to replace the existing Weil McLain boiler at Bartlett Elementary School, which was installed in 1965, and to raise and appropriate the sum of NINETY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$96,000.00) for this purpose? This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the Operating Budget Article.

(The School Board recommends this article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this article.)

YES - 2276

NO - 374

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget, posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling TWENTY MILLION ONE HUNDRED FIFTY- ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$20,151,178.00). Should this Article be defeated, the Operating Budget shall be NINETEEN MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND ONE DOLLARS (\$19,714,901.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. *(The School Board recommends this article.) (The Budget Committee does not recommend this article.)*

YES - 822

NO - 1816

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2001 WARRANT

SCHOOL DELIBERATIVE BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING FEBRUARY 5, 2001 THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet on Monday, the fifth day of February 2001, in the Gymnasium at Goffstown Area High School, at 7:00 P.M. for the first session of the School District Annual Meeting, also known as the first Deliberative Session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 13, 2001.

You are further notified to meet on Tuesday, the 13th day of March 2001, also known as the second session, to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls are open on March 13, 2001, at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. at the Central polling district at the Goffstown Area High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1

To choose all School District officers for the ensuing years.

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 2

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of ELEVEN MILLION NINE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$11,995,000) for (1) The construction of additions to the Goffstown Area High School, for renovations to the existing building, for the payment of furnishings, equipment costs for such construction and existing school renovation pursuant to the plans and specifications as may be approved by the School Board, copies of which shall be on file with the School Administrative Unit #19 Office in Goffstown, New Hampshire; and to raise such sum by the issuance of bonds or notes of the District in an amount not to exceed ELEVEN MILLION NINE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$11,995,000) in accordance with the provisions of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, the form and terms of said bonds or notes including the time and place for the payment of interest, the rate of interest, and provisions for the sale of said bonds, or notes and all other matters in connection therewith to be left to the discretion of the School Board; and (2) to further raise and appropriate through taxation a sum of THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND AND TWO DOLLARS (\$354,002) for the initial interest payment and fees on said bonds or notes. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. *(Sixty percent vote required.) (The School Board recommends this article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this article.)*

ARTICLE 3

Shall the School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling TWENTY-ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FOURTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$21,340,914). Should this Article be defeated, the Operating Budget shall be TWENTY MILLION NINE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$20,961,345), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. *(The School Board recommends \$21,340,914 as the Operating Budget.) (The Budget Committee recommends this article.)*

ARTICLE 4

To see if the voters of the School District shall vote to direct the School Board in its capacity as the lrgal governing body of the School District for purposes of RSA 100-A:20 to enroll all of its employees and administrators in the New Hampshire Retirement System pursuant to RSA Chap. 100-A and to raise and appropriate the sum of FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$48,000) to fund the cost of retirement contributions by the School District for employees newly enrolled as of July 1, 2001. This vote shall be effective July 1, 2001, and shall not change the rights of those teachers and other employees of the School Disrtict who are already enrolled as members in the New Hampshire Retirement System." *(Submitted by petition from Goffstown Educational Support Staff.) (The School Board recommends this article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this article.)*

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID GOFFSTOWN ON THIS 22nd DAY OF JANUARY 2001.

Dr. Craig Hieber, *Chair*
Paul O'Reilly, *Vice Chair*
Scott Gross
Albert Packard
Jane Raymond
John Stafford
Kerry Steckowych, *Esquire*
Ellen Vermokowitz
Michael York
SCHOOL BOARD

OCTOBER 1ST PUPIL ENROLLMENT 1996 – 2000

School	Grade	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Bartlett	Pre-School	—	13	17	29	29
	Multi-age (1,2,3)	39	42	42	42	42
	Combination Grades 1/2	—	—	—	—	20
	1	39	40	47	32	37
	2	40	38	37	47	20
	3	46	41	42	36	48
Total – Bartlett		164	174	185	186	196
Maple Avenue	Pre-School	32	23	18	—	—
	Multi-age (1,2,3)	67	68	69	68	66
	1	138	86	117	115	95
	2	106	147	97	120	114
	3	106	116	152	108	127
	4	—	—	—	25	23
Total – Maple Avenue		449	440	453	436	425
Mountain View	4	201	199	191	214	168
	5	204	207	203	200	232
	6	179	217	208	220	211
	7	257	261	286	305	314
	8	281	255	257	301	310
Total – MVMS		1,122	1,139	1,145	1,240	1,235
Goffstown AREA High School	9	262	262	225	240	330
	10	233	254	245	224	243
	11	233	235	273	257	242
	12	194	172	181	219	206
Total – GAHS		922	923	924	940	1,021
GRAND TOTAL 1996-2000		2,657	2,676	2,707	2,802	2,877

AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT LETTER

PLODZIK & SANDERSON

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

October 25, 2000

To the Members of the School Board
Goffstown School District
Goffstown, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Goffstown School District for the school year ended June 30, 2000, we considered the School District's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the School District's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general purpose financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

The following reportable conditions were noted that we do not consider to be material weaknesses:

STUDENT ACTIVITIES FUNDS (Repeat Comment)

Student activity funds are established to account for the monies of each of the various student groups within the schools. The District is acting in a custodial capacity in administering these funds. For this reason, it is extremely important that accurate and

detailed records be maintained. Periodic monitoring of each system should be completed by the District office to provide ongoing guidance and training of individuals involved with the day-to-day record keeping functions. During our audit of these accounts, we noted the following areas where improvements can be made: a) Activity in these accounts should be limited to student-related items only. Administrative items such as conference registrations, travel, postage and supplies should be accounted for through the General Fund; b) It appears in some instances that one person is responsible for all duties related to these accounts. To ensure proper internal controls, approval and review of all recordkeeping should be done by the principals; c) Monthly and annual reports of activity should be made for financial reporting purposes. These reports should be submitted to the District office for review; d) Proper and complete invoice documentation should be obtained prior to the processing of any check. This should include approval of the respective advisor and principal; e) Accounting for these funds is being performed manually in many instances. Consideration should be given to the use of a standardized software package to assist in completion of the recordkeeping.

We suggest a review of the internal accounting controls covering the various Student Activities Funds that would encompass the areas mentioned above. We would be available to meet with District personnel to help reinforce and institute proper internal accounting control procedures to ensure the proper use and recording of these funds.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

Plodzik & Sanderson Professional Association

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL BUDGET

		1999-2000 Actual	2000-2001 Appropriation	2001-2002 Proposed School Bd	2001-2002 Proposed Budg Com
1100	Regular Education	\$8,662,619	\$9,145,744	\$9,878,938	\$9,816,354
1200	Special Education	2,429,086	2,551,022	2,923,256	2,990,869
1410 & 1420	Co-Curricular & Athletics	228,319	281,768	299,452	298,726
1490	Other Pupil Services	18,204	10,700	11,900	11,360
1810	Field Rental	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
2112	Attendance Services	0	0	0	0
2120	Guidance	556,177	635,016	649,371	651,224
2130	Health Services	165,880	192,748	210,070	211,104
2150	Speech Pathology and Audio	187,282	198,554	283,608	284,709
2212	Curriculum Development	1,851	2,965	3,000	3,000
2213	Staff Development	64,818	66,000	66,000	66,000
2222 & 2223	Info. Center Services	299,421	336,664	344,546	345,673
2224	Educational TV	2,190	6,800	4,300	4,300
2290	Technical Support Services	93,807	89,000	153,485	153,839
2311	School Board	41,176	30,719	30,719	30,719
2312	Census	0	0	0	0
2313	Treasurer	2,607	2,624	2,624	2,624
2314	District Meeting	2,639	3,445	3,445	3,245
2317	Audit Services	4,650	4,500	4,500	4,500
2318	Legal Services	6,293	10,000	10,000	10,000
2321	SAU Services	787,652	777,714	775,609	775,609
2410	Administration	1,062,844	1,132,598	1,251,442	1,239,538
2490	Other Student Support Svcs.	137,411	160,310	153,023	153,309
2620	Building Operations	1,239,035	1,288,755	1,400,064	1,402,650
2630	Care and Upkeep of Grounds	59,771	12,115	23,715	23,715
2640	Equipment Maintenance	25,771	16,004	38,004	38,004
2721	Transportation	703,075	718,600	729,994	729,994
2722	Special Needs Transportation	251,262	294,515	294,515	294,515
2723	Skills Center Transportation	25,780	26,570	26,570	26,570
2724	Athletic Program Transportation	37,785	42,500	44,500	44,500
2725 & 2790	Field Trip Transportation	16,843	19,724	22,520	22,520
2834	GESS Course Reimbursement	6,043	6,000	6,000	6,000
4200	Site Improvement	0	15,665	11,500	11,500
4400	Building Evaluation	23,739	0	0	0
5100	Debt Service	1,181,910	1,136,012	1,088,694	1,088,694
	Federal Grants	52,467	50,000	50,000	50,000
	Food Service	642,358	543,550	543,550	543,550
Total Goffstown School District:		\$19,022,765	\$19,810,901	\$21,340,914	\$21,340,914

NOTE: The proposed fiscal year 2001-2002 columns equal the operating budget warrant article.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL REVENUES

	1999-2000 Approved	2000-2001 Approved	2001-2002 Proposed School Board	2001-2002 Proposed Budget Committee
Revenue From State Sources				
Adequacy Grant	\$5,059,337	\$5,059,337	\$5,295,245	\$5,295,245
School Building Aid	240,560	213,455	235,303	235,303
Area Vocational School	14,400	14,400	6,500	6,500
Catastrophic Aid	213,832	286,307	226,787	226,787
Child Nutrition	12,850	12,850	12,850	12,850
Revenue From Federal Sources				
IASA, Chapter I and II	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Child Nutrition Programs	80,700	80,700	80,700	80,700
Local Revenue Other Than Taxes				
Tuition	2,387,000	2,500,000	2,983,000	2,983,000
Driver Ed. Program Receipts		10,000	10,000	10,000
Earnings on Investments	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Food Service	465,368	450,000	450,000	450,000
Medicaid Reimbursement	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000
Reimbursement Spec. Ed.	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Subtotal Revenues & Credits	\$8,649,047	\$8,827,049	\$9,525,385	\$9,525,385
General Fund Balance	\$975,593	\$600,141	\$410,000	\$410,000
Total Revenues and Credits	\$9,624,640	\$9,427,190	\$9,935,385	\$9,935,385
District Assessment	5,273,208	6,342,767	6,942,697	6,942,697
State Assessment	4,040,944	4,040,944	4,462,832	4,462,832
Total Appropriations *	\$18,938,792	\$19,810,901	\$21,340,914	\$21,340,914

* NOTE: FY 2001-2002 appropriations number equals the operating budget warrant article.

DEBT SCHEDULE

Years remaining on Goffstown School District General Obligation Bonds as of June 30, 2000

YEAR	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	AMOUNT DUE
2000-01	\$ 765,000.00	\$ 371,011.25	\$ 1,136,011.25
2001-02	\$ 755,000.00	\$ 333,693.75	\$ 1,088,693.75
2002-03	\$ 745,000.00	\$ 301,260.00	\$ 1,046,260.00
2003-04	\$ 730,000.00	\$ 268,445.00	\$ 998,445.00
2004-05	\$ 720,000.00	\$ 235,820.00	\$ 955,820.00
2005-06	\$ 705,000.00	\$ 203,228.75	\$ 908,228.75
2006-07	\$ 695,000.00	\$ 170,331.25	\$ 865,331.25
2007-08	\$ 685,000.00	\$ 135,843.75	\$ 820,843.75
2008-09	\$ 675,000.00	\$ 100,143.75	\$ 775,143.75
2009-10	\$ 665,000.00	\$ 64,968.75	\$ 729,968.75
2010-11	\$ 605,000.00	\$ 31,631.25	\$ 636,631.25
2011-12	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 7,875.00	\$ 307,875.00

PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

BARTLETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

DAVID A. BOUSQUET, PRINCIPAL

During the past year, Bartlett Elementary School has continued to experience strong community pride in its school, a dedicated staff and initiatives to improve student learning. In its 78-year history, many generations of Goffstown residents have received an excellent education at Bartlett Elementary School.

I would like to thank the former Pinardville Booster Club for obtaining new flags for the school. The Booster Club contacted Representative Bruce Hunter who donated the new State of NH flag. The Booster Club also purchased a U.S. flag that was flown over the U.S. Capitol. We appreciate all that Pam Maney did on behalf of the Booster Club to get us these beautiful flags.

On February 24th, the Literacy Committee and PTA sponsored a celebration of "Read Across America" with a Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss party. Everyone was treated to stories read by seven guest readers including Superintendent of Schools Darrell Lockwood, Officer Pierre Pouliot, Miss Goffstown Amy Slattum, children's performer Judy Pancoast, WMUR Meteorologist Chris Thomas, Reading Specialist Mary Starvish and Principal David Bousquet.

Because of the closing of the Pinardville Branch of the Goffstown Public Library, the library has been providing some programming at the Bartlett Elementary School since March 2000. These programs include story hours and crafts for students in preschool through grade 3.

On Saturday, March 11th, four teams represented Bartlett Elementary School in the Destination Imagination competition held at the Merrimack High School. This was the culmination of their six-month effort to solve our DI problems, *Mixing Apples and Oranges*, *If Music Be the Food of Life*, *Fruit Roller Coaster*, and *Eggsploration*. The Bartlett team did an excellent job representing our school.

Maggie Loranger, a student in Mrs. Audley's Multi-Age classroom, was recognized as a third place winner in the "Reading Rainbow" statewide competition for young authors. Maggie's story, "Maggie's Messy Room", was one of more than 400 entries that was judged by a panel of authors, librarians, teachers and the NH Public Television staff. Maggie received letters of congratulations from Governor Jeanne Shaheen and Senator Bob Smith for her award winning entry. Maggie had the opportunity to read her story at the Third Grade Farewell on June 15th.

Bartlett Elementary School was a busy place during the summer. Besides the summer cleaning and repairing, we held a Literacy Camp in which students explored the world of literature. For students with disabilities, we provided summer programs for preschool to grade 3 students to prevent the loss of skills over the summer. Also, Mountain View Middle School's special education facilitator, Becky Forrestall, supervised about 10 students as they repainted the maps on our playground as part of a summer community service program.

School opened in the fall of 2000 with 197 students and the following new staff members: Brandie Bolduc - Grade 1 Teacher; Brigid McNamee - Multi-Age Teacher; Lisa Rowe - Preschool Teacher; and Jen Evans - Part-time Speech Pathologist for grades 1-3.

Throughout the year, the Bartlett Elementary School's Safety Committee met to develop and finalize emergency plans for the school. Plans were developed for every conceivable emergency. Students were able to practice these emergency procedures in order to know what to do should an emergency situation exist.

This fall, the Goffstown School District adopted the Everyday Math program, which will provide the students with a balanced, structured math program and will increase student learning.

Special thanks to Joyce Blouin who volunteered to be the to be the Volunteer Coordinator for Bartlett Elementary School. We truly appreciate her taking on this important role during the 2000-2001 school year.

MAPLE AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MARC BOYD, PRINCIPAL

As the 1999/2000 academic year wound down last June, the students, their parents and the staff were completely out of breath from once again surviving an exhausting year of learning, wonder, excitement, exhilaration and down right fun!

The Maple Avenue Elementary School has a culture that strives on developing the "whole child" through parent/guardian, business and civic community collaboration and a humanistic, diverse, challenging and stimulating approach in the implementation of our educational programs. I believe that this is happening on a daily basis at the school and one would only need to walk through the building to get the immediate sense that learning is alive and well. The activities and events held throughout the school year would not be possible without their continued support. We are also fortunate at the school to have the Parent Faculty Together (parent/guardian group) and the staff as the driving forces behind this extremely effective collaboration.

From September through June, each month had a wealth of special activities such as Lunch With the Principal, a visit from Johnny Appleseed, Chess Club, PFT Ice Cream Social, National School Lunch Week, School Banking, Wee Deliver Halloween Parade, Make It and Take It Night, a school-wide Thanksgiving Feast, Holiday Concerts, Holiday Breakfast, Story Hours, Skiing Program, Odyssey of the Mind, Basketball Shoot Out, Two-Fiddles Residency, Story/Activities Day, Holiday Parties, the Millennium/Back to the Future Week, Our Time Capsule, Bake Sales, Book Fairs, Celebrities, Police and Fire Department Serving Lunch, Earth Day Goffstown Clean-up, Mothers' Day Luncheon, Spring Fling and Maple Avenue Stock V to name a few of the many events that took place this year.

This was the year we implemented a new reading series, thanks to the support of the District and PFT, and successfully navigated through the transition stage to assure an effective literacy program for all of the students at the school. We continued to develop our skills in the area of assessment and how to use the various instruments needed to drive the individual child's academic program.

Approximately 133 Maple Avenue Elementary School third grade students completed the New Hampshire Educational Improvement Assessment Program in May of 2000. In the area of Language Arts, 88% of the students scored in the Advanced, Proficient and Basic categories. This is up 20% from last year. In Math, 77% of the students scored in the Advanced, Proficient and Basic categories. This is up 10% from last year.

With the close of the 1999/2000 academic year, Margaret Battey, a long time third grade teacher, retired. Mrs. Battey is a model of the Maple Avenue Elementary School teacher. She was devoted to the school and the children. She was always cheerful and willing to lend a hand or an ear. She was artistic, creative and sensitive and exhibited exuberance towards advancing student learning at the school. The children who were fortunate to have her as their teacher were extremely lucky

MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

ROSE LAROCHELLE-COLBY, PRINCIPAL

SANDRA DAVIS AND JAMES DOIG, ASSOCIATE PRINCIPALS

In September 1999, Mountain View Middle School welcomed 1257 students to our school. With 1089 Goffstown students, 119 New Boston students and 49 Dunbarton students, our dedicated staff of middle level educators began team building and community building to start the year. Set back behind the North Wing, one team of 8th grade students was housed in a double portable classroom. With some extra planning in the area of building safety, our students and staff became comfortable in their new classroom space.

In the area of curriculum, our staff began drafting grade level essential understandings drawn from our district curriculum. With this ongoing curriculum study, we benefited from assessment data we obtained when students took part in the Houghton Mifflin tests, the N.H. Individual Education Assessment Program (N.H.I.E.A.P.) and the New Standard Tests. Our May 1999 N.H.I.E.A.P. results indicated improvements in our overall median scores. This improvement indicates we continue to improve in strategically addressing topic areas in our instruction. Over the year, teachers were involved in developing the S.A.U. #19's Integrated Model for the Improvement of Instruction initiative.

Mountain View Partnership again garnered honors with the Blue Medal for Volunteerism. Their magazine drive continued to support many student programs and teacher grants that really have a great impact on our student programming. The quarterly schedule of grade level Parent Roundtables was very successful again this year.

Our sports program grew under the leadership of James Doig, new Athletic Director. We would like to thank our athletes and coaches for a great year. Student participation at sports events was fantastic!

In the Arts, M.V.M.S. received the Kennedy Center Creative Ticket award for our exemplary arts programming. The Artist in Residence program brought the art of mime to our 5th grade students and our music students gave concert performances that were exceptional. Our drama company also went into high gear with two productions this year.

Throughout the year, our Safety Program was in place. Students and staff have become accustomed to monthly drills for building evacuation, natural disaster, and gunfire situations. We continue to be asked to present our plan to other schools throughout the state and the region. Jim Doig, and 5th grade teacher David Weilbrenner presented the plan at the New England League of Middle Schools annual convention.

As the year came to a close, we were very grateful for the many special moments during the year. At Recognition Ceremony, with the gym full of well wishers, our 8th grade students cheered as each team was recognized for their academic accomplishments. Our school community recognized in a special way the courage of two of our students, Evan Ravanelle, and Shawna Viglione in overcoming their health challenges. We wish all of our students success and as they begin their High School careers!

GOFFSTOWN AREA HIGH SCHOOL

MARK ROTH, PRINCIPAL

Being new to the school this year gave me special challenges in preparing this principal's town report. From my investigations it appears that the big events of the year revolved around the development of a new schedule. This brought together a varied group of participants who visited schools and made recommendations as to the structure of the day.

Another big event was the search and untimate hiring of me, Mark Roth, as principal of GAHS. It is my goal to focus on building a sustainable culture of regard and respect firmly grounded in traditional behaviors of civility and decorum. This coupled with the considerable strengths of an existing rigorous academic program makes for a dynamic learning environment that supports and advances student learning.

BSLI has been a vehicle for reform initiatives. This portion of the report was written by Assistant Principal, Pamela Miller.

The athletic write-up was by Assistant Principal, Francis McBride.

BEST SCHOOLS LEADERSHIP INITIATIVES UPDATES

BSLI-I

Goffstown AREA High School is in its second year of a three year Best Schools Initiative focused on whole school reform that focuses on the following key elements: students who are ready to learn; excellence in teaching; technology as an educational tool; high quality learning environments; strong educational programs; and parents, citizens, educators and business people working together.

In the summer of 1999, a team comprised of teachers, administrators and community members attended the Best Schools Leadership Institute in Bartlett, NH. The result was the development of 12 goals for GAHS and a plan for reform initiatives that will bring our practice more in line with our Statement of Purpose: *"Goffstown AREA High School's mission is to develop impassioned, independent, lifelong learners capable of thriving in an ever-changing world. We will create and sustain a safe, respectful learning environment in which all students can achieve their maximun potential."*

The Best Schools goals are as follows:

1. To promote a culture and climate that embraces and reflects the Statement of Purpose.
2. To create an equitable, student-centered community of learners where opportunities result in personalized learning at high level of achievement for all.
3. To engage parents as an integral part of the educational team.
4. To engage a continuous improvement process which promotes professional growth in order to enhance student achievement.
5. To integrate the school and community to enhance student learning.
6. To utilize a systemic data-gathering process to assess and evaluate programs, practices and policies to ensure continuous improvement and enhance student achievement.
7. To use our physical environment effectively and appropriately, consistent with our Statement of Purpose.
8. To create an effective decision-making process honoring the voices of all stakeholders.
9. To engage in an ongoing review of curriculum and of the delivery of curriculum to make sure both are aligned with our Statement of Purpose.
10. To ensure an educational environment in which students develop personal responsibility for their learning.
11. To develop an assessment plan incorporating a variety of assessment strategies to improve student learning.
12. To engage in a variety of teaching methods to ensure learning and improve pedagogy.

In the past year and a half, GAHS has begun to benefit from the vision of the Best Schools Initiative. The use of instructional time has changed to allow for more in depth exploration of curriculum. The administration functions under a team model to establish consistency across programs and initiatives and the school community is working together to promote a culture of regard and respect.

As we've experienced the transformation of our environment, change has become a part of our culture. The Best Schools Team will be meeting to outline new structure(s) that will support the continuing development of new initiatives. As always, we welcome your input. Please contact Pam Miller or Kevin Farley if you would like to become involved.

BSLI-II

Goffstown AREA High School is a part of the SAU #19 BSLI Initiative: the Integrated Model for Advancing Student Learning. Last summer Mary Singer (English Dept.) and Pam Miller (Asst. Principal) attended the B.S.L.I. Institute in Nashua along with teachers and administrators from the school district. The work at the summer institute completed the two-year development of a plan that integrates professional development, recertification and teacher supervision with a focus on the improvement of student learning in the classroom. The new model allows teachers to design job-embedded professional development plans that build on individual and school/SAU goals as they relate to student learning. Teacher supervision and recertification are aligned with the process of successfully completing professional development plans.

The new model will be phased in over the next three years. The first group of teachers to start the integrated model is currently writing professional development plans.

ATHLETICS

The year's highlights include three state championships and the addition of hockey to Goffstown AREA High School.

The Boys' Basketball Team captured another State title making it back-to-back championships. Coach David Michaud was recognized as the Class I Coach of the Year. Coach Parent and the Varsity Boys' Basketball Team continued the winning ways by blitzing through their Class I competition posting a 21-1 record while taking home the championship. Coach Parent was also recognized by his peers as the Class I Baseball Coach of the Year. Keith Potvin, a star left-handed pitcher, was recognized as the New Hampshire Baseball Player of the Year.

Jamie Millard, an accomplished junior swimmer, won a State title swimming as the lone Goffstown AREA High School competitor.

Under the immediate care of Mike and Marlene Turcotte, The Friends of Goffstown Hockey successfully brought hockey to the High School. The team played a sub-varsity schedule and posted a 14-5 record under the tutelage of Coach Marc Noel. The support from the school and the whole community was amazing. Hockey aficionados had not seen a crowd at the West Side Arena like those the team consistently drew for many years. It is worth noting that the crowds for the championship games numbered in the thousands.

Athletics in Goffstown are continuing to grow and thrive. Dedicated parents, student-athletes, and coaches are constantly raising the bar. The main challenge facing the community is how we can foster the growth of venues for our children. The close of the year ends an era where varsity hockey, varsity wrestling, and sub-varsity football were dreams for the future.

GOFFSTOWN'S RECYCLING PROGRAM

CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM

GLASS* clear, brown or green glass is accepted.

ALUMINUM CANS*

TIN & STEEL CANS*

PLASTIC* #1 PETE and #2 HDPE plastic is accepted, however, bags or containers that held petroleum products such as motor oil are excluded.

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD should be flattened and cut down to no larger than 21" x 32". Corrugated cardboard consists of three layers of cardboard, where the center layer consists of ridges.

NEWSPAPER should be placed in a paper bag or tied in bundles.

MAGAZINES should be placed in a brown paper bag or tied in bundles.

MIXED PAPER such as junk mail and cereal boxes, should be placed in a paper bag. Packages partially comprised of foil, blueprint paper, carbon paper and food soiled paper, such as napkins and paper plates are excluded.

** Please rinse clean.*

IF YOU SHOULD HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PICK-UP OF YOUR RECYCLABLES PLEASE CONTACT **WASTE MANAGEMENT** AT **1-800-443-5515**.

DROP OFF PROGRAM

All of the items accepted as part of the Curbside Program, as well as the following items are accepted in our Drop Off Program at the Transfer Station.

TEXTILES should be clean, dry and bagged.

LEAVES must be removed from plastic bags. Paper bags accepted.

BRUSH is limited to no larger than 5" diameter. No stumps accepted.

SCRAP METAL such as appliances, bikes, etc. are accepted. No appliances that contain, or once contained freon are accepted without certification of evacuation by a licensed refrigerant technician.

WET-CELL BATTERIES such as automotive batteries are accepted provided the cases are not broken.

TIRES are accepted.

TRANSFER STATION OPERATING SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION GUIDE

The Transfer Station is open Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. Severe inclement weather may delay the opening of the Transfer Station and may affect the rubbish and recycling routes.

The Transfer Station will be closed the Saturday preceding a Monday holiday. A holiday that occurs Tuesday through Saturday only affects that particular day. Holiday rubbish and recycling route changes will be posted in the *Goffstown News*, *Union Leader* as well as on GTV16.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call us at #497-4824. If you get our answering machine please leave your name, number and a brief message. We will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank You!



TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY

FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE	911 or 497-3311
POLICE	911 or 497-2232
POISON CENTER	800-562-8236

TOWN OFFICES

Assessor	497-3611	Parks & Recreation	497-3003
Building Inspector	497-3612	Planning Dept.	497-8991
District Court	497-2597	Police Dept.	497-4858
Finance Dept.	497-3615	Public Library	497-2102
Fire Dept. (Church St.)	497-3537	Public Works Dept.	497-3617
Fire Dept. (E. Goffs.)	497-4655	Selectmen's Office	497-8990
Fire Dept. (Pinardville)	622-6713	Sewer Commission	497-8992
Goffstown Village		Support Services	497-3616
Water Precinct	497-3621	Tax Collector	497-3614
Grasmere Village		Town Clerk	497-3613
Water Precinct	497-8346	Transfer Station	497-4824

SCHOOLS

Bartlett Elementary	623-8088	Mountain View Middle	497-8288
Goffs. High School	497-4841	S.A.U. #19	497-4818